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# TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

For the Municipal Year 1890-91.

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**Selectmen.**

GEORGE W. WIGGIN, JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART.

**Town Clerk.**

HENRY E. RUGGLES.

**Treasurer.**

HENRY R. JENKS.

**Assessors.**

ASA A. FLETCHER, EUGENE N. THAIN,
WILLIAM E. NASON.

**Overseers of the Poor.**

GEORGE E. EMERSON, WARREN H. BRIGHT,
C. MILTON ALLEN.

**Auditor.**

NELSON E. NEWELL.

**Collector of Taxes.**

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD.

## School Committee.

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| WILLIAM F. RAY, | Term expires March, | | 1891 |
| LYDIA P. RAY, | " | " | 1891 |
| CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN, | " | " | 1892 |
| REBECCA FARNUM, | " | " | 1892 |
| GEORGE KING, | " | " | 1893 |
| MARY A. WIGGIN, | " | " | 1893 |

## Constables.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER, WILLIAM E. NASON,
SILAS W. NICKERSON.

## Fence Viewers.

JOSEPH W. HEATON, JEREMIAH DESMOND,
STEPHEN C. TAFT.

## Field Drivers.

JAMES H. KNAPP, ALDEN T. MANN,
JAMES H. MILLER.

## Board of Health.

GEORGE KING, WILLIAM E. NASON, WALTER M. FISHER.

## Keeper of Pound.

GEORGE B. PECK.

# APPOINTEES.

**Engineers of the Fire Department.**

GEORGE E. EMERSON, FRANK A SHINER,
WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, LAWRENCE E. MORRISSEY,
THOMAS SPENCE, LAWRENCE J. KELLY.

**Auctioneers.**

LEWIS R. WHITAKER, WILLIAM E. NASON,
DAVID W. CORSON, DANIEL W. HALLORAN.

**Surveyors of Lumber.**

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD, OTIS F. METCALF,
LUCIUS W. DANIELS, JOSEPH W. WHITING,
WALTER M. FISHER, ORAMEL B, BLAKE,
JOSEPH H. WADSWORTH.

**Measurers of Wood and Bark.**

JOSEPH W. HEATON, JOSEPH H. WADSWORTH,
J. C. JACOBS, ORAMEL B. BLAKE.

**Measurers of Grain.**

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD, FRANK D. METCALF,
ORLANDO S. STETSON, JOSEPH H. WADSWORTH,
CHARLES H. HEATON, JOSEPH W. HEATON.

**Weighers of Coal and Hay.**

JOSEPH W. HEATON, JOSEPH H. WADSWORTH,
J. C. JACOBS, ORLANDO S. STETSON,
WILLIAM MANN, CHARLES H. HEATON.

**Sealer of Weights and Measures.**

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN.

## Board of Registration.

HENRY E. RUGGLES.
DANIEL W. HALLORAN. Term expires May 1, 1891
NATHAN C. NYE, " " 1892
BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD. " " 1893

## Night Policemen.

ANTHONY CONNOR. SILAS W. NICKERSON.

## Special Policemen.

GEORGE BOURBEAU, CHARLES R. GOWEN,
ALBERT W. NEWELL. ALMON W. SANBORN,
JOHN W. RICHARDSON, JOSEPH SMITH,
H. W. STOWERS. JOSEPH T. HUTCHINSON,
WILLIAM H. HOWE, HERMON B. MILLER.
ALBERT J. SMITH, LAWRENCE J. KELLY,
JEROME B. FITZPATRICK, EUGENE COLE,
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS, NATHAN ARNOLD.

## Inspector of Oil.

THADDEUS M. TURNER.

## Forest Fire Wardens.

T. J. DANIELS, CHARLES E. WOODWARD,
WILLIAM F. KING, JAMES HOOD,
H M. STOWERS, W. A. POND.

## Road Master.

HERBERT M. STOWERS.

## Truant Officer.

SILAS W. NICKERSON.

## Railroad Police.

JOSEPH SMITH.

# Report of the School Committee.

To the Town of Franklin:

Your School Committee respectfully submit their annual report for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1891.

The reports of the various committees in past years have dealt so fully with the many needs and aims of our schools, that we do not feel it is necessary at present to make a lengthy report. We desire to call your attention to a few fundamental truths, showing very briefly the work of the schools for the past year, and lay before you what we believe to be the pressing needs of our schools in the near future.

In this intensely practical age, there seems to be a strong tendency to cut loose from those ancient landmarks which have long been held in high esteem, and to give our time and energies solely to those things which we flatter ourselves have a direct bearing upon our future lives. In the effort thus made our schools have suffered more or less. Many parents have felt that because a certain study is not likely to be used by their son or daughter in after life, therefore the time of the child should not be wasted in an attempt to master such a subject. With this idea in mind the parents have wholly lost sight of the formative and training influence which such a subject may have upon the mind of their child.

Undoubtedly one of the most important questions a young man can ask is, "What must I do to fit myself most completely, not for being a citizen merely, but for being 'all that doth become a man,' living in the full light of the Christian civilization of America?" We believe the child should be educated not merely for himself, but also as a member of society, a citizen of the Republic.

The committee have endeavored to so frame the course of study, and direct the incidental work of the schools, that the scholars who graduate from our schools shall have received a fair training in the several departments of knowledge, which are necessary for the full development of their bodies, the preservation of their health, for a full comprehension of their rights and duties as citizens, a knowledge of the intellectual, moral, religious, and æsthetic nature of men, and a fair foundation upon which to build a superstructure, by which they may show to the world that their time has not been wasted nor the foundations laid in vain.

We propose to make such changes in our course of study as time and the practical working of the course suggest. In whatever form our course may be we do not intend that it shall be considered as perfect, but as our conditions and requirements change the course must also be changed. We desire to call attention to the fact that any scholar who desires to prepare for admission to college can do so in our High School. We have not laid down a particular course for such scholars, but the course will be adapted to the requirements of the case.

Having thus briefly treated the foregoing in a general manner, we desire now to call your attention more particularly to a number of subjects, many of which we deem of such importance, as to merit your careful attention, and favorable action thereon.

### HEATING AND VENTILATION.

In the report of last year, the necessity of improved methods of heating and ventilation was fully set forth, and some of the methods adopted by different towns and cities were explained. Recent legislation has imposed certain duties upon your committee which we cannot neglect without great inconvenience and cost.

On Feb. 15, of last year, the committee were served with notice that better and additional ventilation must be provided for the school houses on Nason street. We accordingly investigated the question with much care, visited school buildings

where changes had been made in the method of ventilation, and after due consideration, made a contract with Messrs. C. M. Drennan & Co., of Boston. During the summer vacation this firm placed in position a system of heating and ventilation in the two school houses on Nason street. The contract price to be paid C. M. Drennan & Co., is $1926.00, which is not to be paid until the system gives satisfaction to your committee and the State authorities.

In making the changes necessary to place the system in proper working order, it became necessary to make certain incidental changes and additions which could not be fully foreseen, so that the total cost is more than was anticipated. The bills for the changes and additions made will be found in the Auditor's report under the head of "school repairs," and "miscellaneous school expenses."

During the past few weeks the rooms in these buildings have been frequently visited by the State authorities, who under various conditions have carefully tested the purity of the air, and the temperature of the rooms, with very satisfactory results. They have made some suggestions looking to the greater efficiency of the system. The State authorities have expressed the opinion that with proper janitor service we have a system which will meet the requirements of the law. The result of the examinations made by the Inspectors is fully set forth in their report, as it appears in Public Document No. 32, which has recently been published.

We are assured by all who have had anything to do with this kind of work, that the price above named is very reasonable for the results obtained. During the cold weather of December last we had some trouble in heating the rooms properly, but we hope that this difficulty has been wholly removed.

Before leaving this subject it is in order to state that the probability is that your committee will be called upon to make similar changes in other buildings in the near future, unless the law now in force should be changed.

## NORMAL TRAINING.

After several years experience in the school room, both as teachers and committee, we come to the conclusion that we know of nothing which can fully take the place of a normal training for our teachers. This is more apparent, perhaps, in the lower grades. We do not wish to be understood to imply that all normal graduates make good teachers; neither do we mean on the other hand, that many of those who have not attended a normal school are not good teachers. We see very plainly the superior methods of those who are graduates of normal schools. They are able to attain a fair degree of efficiency much earlier in their career than others. A normal training may not make a good teacher of poor material; but we venture unhesitatingly to say that the good teacher is a better teacher because of the training for which we ask. Heretofore there has not been that attention paid to normal methods there should have been. It may be accepted as the settled policy of your committee as now constituted, to insist upon our teachers having received some training at our normal schools. We believe it will be money and time profitably expended, and that the practical results thereby obtained will justify us in our opinions. We desire to urge upon all who contemplate teaching to take a course of study at one of the State Normal schools.

## VISIT OF MR. PRINCE AND MR. EDSON.

Quite recently Mr. Prince of the State Board of Education spent a week visiting our schools. He met the committee and talked freely with us. He pointed out some of the weak places in our schools, and made numerous suggestions, some of which we are endeavoring to put into operation. At the end of the week Mr. Prince and Mr. Edson, another member of the State Board, met all the teachers and the committee and gave some practical lessons and hints on methods of teaching. The exercise was of great profit to all concerned. We believe our schools are better today for the criticisms and help so kindly and freely given by these gentlemen.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

We believe our primary schools have made fair progress during the past year. The methods of teaching reading have been improved. We are trying to interest the pupils in forming habits of good reading, by bringing to them books and papers inculcating lessons of kindness to animals and a regard for truth and honesty, believing we must begin early with such instruction.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

We frequently find it difficult to classify the scholars of our district schools properly. Many of the schools are small, yet in these there are scholars from the first grade up to the seventh grade. The result is that it is necessary to have a large number of classes. We now have all the district schools as well classified as circumstances will permit, and they are for the most part in excellent condition. We regard these schools as of much importance, and we have not in any way neglected them, having given them as much of our attention as any class of schools in town. We intend that they shall be as well equipped with teachers, books, and the various supplies needed as any of our schools.

TEACHERS—CHANGES.

During the past year we have been obliged to make several changes in our corps of teachers, some of which have been made with regret on our part.

Last August Miss Stockbridge resigned her position as teacher of the Unionville school that she might take a college course. We had but little time in which to engage a teacher before the opening of the next term. Fortunately we were able to obtain the services of Miss Lydia A. Gould of Milford, a graduate of Framingham Normal School. She has gained the good-will of her scholars and the respect and esteem of the parents. She is showing the results of her normal training. The school is improving under her care, and there is the promise of much good work being done. This is the largest district school we have, and under the judicious management

of Miss Gould we confidently expect this school to rank high.

At the Northwest, Miss Knowlton resigned at the close of last term, owing to ill health. We have secured the services of Mrs. Geo. Rice of Medway to fill the position.

In the Primary schools we have made but one change. Miss Blaisdell was advanced from Primary School No. 6 to Sub-Grammar No. 1. The vacancy was filled by Miss Minerva B. Whitney who had had some experience as a teacher and is a recent graduate of our High school. She gives promise of making an excellent teacher.

There has not been any change in the Intermediate schools. In Sub-Grammar School No. 1 a vacancy occurred by reason of advancing Miss Sawyer to High Grammar No. 2. The vacancy was filled, as mentioned above, by Miss Blaisdell, who had done such excellent work in the Primary school that we felt justified in advancing her to this difficult position, which she is filling creditably.

We have engaged Miss Gertrude Bly, a recent graduate of our High school, as an assistant for this grade. She spends half a day in each school.

High Grammar No. 2 has been peculiarly unfortunate in the many changes we have had to make. For the year ending July 1, 1890, the school had four different teachers. The last one, Miss Blake, we regarded with much favor, and we were not surprised that she soon found a more lucrative position. Miss Mary O. Sawyer took charge of this school last September, and amid many discouraging features has done excellent work. There is good prospect that she may bring this school up to the high standard attained in High Grammar No. 1.

Last spring Mr. Brodeur, principal of the High school, tendered his resignation to take effect at the close of the school year. He had been with us two years. In parting from Mr. Brodeur, we lost a teacher who had the ability in more than an ordinary degree of inspiring his scholars with a desire for knowledge. He had that enthusiasm for his work so essentially necessary for success. He had a high ideal, and worked hard to bring his school up to a high degree of efficiency.

From about sixty applicants we chose Mr. George B. Chandler, a recent graduate of Bowdoin College, who came to us highly recommended, who seems to be in a fair way of filling the position in such a way as to justify our choice.

We have been able to retain the services of Miss Whiting as assistant in the High school, although she has had several very flattering offers. We consider ourselves fortunate in being able to supplement the work of the principal by the services of such a teacher.

### MUSIC.

No changes have been made in music. An earnest effort has been made to fully carry into effect the plan outlined in the report of last year. We believe this department to be of great benefit to our schools.

### GENERAL REMARKS.

We believe we have a corps of teachers who are conscientiously trying to do the work set before them, and who will bear a favorable comparison with any body of teachers within our knowledge. Some of them are giving much time and thought to their work outside of school hours, and as a consequence thereof their schools show a decided improvement. Many, all we trust, have a high ideal of the duties of a teacher and are doing all they can for the moral and intellectual advancement of their scholars.

We prefer teachers of experience, but we realize that experience does not by any means imply success. When the teacher of experience shows by poor methods, or no method at all, or by the results obtained that he or she is not up to the requirements of the times, then we must perform our duty and make the necessary changes. The welfare of scholars is of more importance to us, to the town we represent, than the material prospects of any teacher. We must strive for "the greatest good to the greatest number."

### VACCINATION.

The committee wish to call attention to the notices published concerning vaccination. The law says: "The school

committee shall not allow a child who has not been duly vaccinated to be admitted to or connected with the public schools." —Pub. Stat., Chap. 47, Sec. 9.

The next school term will begin April 6. It is the vote of the committee that the above provision of the law shall be enforced at that time. We trust that parents will attend to this matter and see that children who are not now vaccinated shall be before the opening of next term.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

The appropriations for the support of schools for the past three years has been the same, while our expenses have increased. We have an increasing school population for whom we must make proper provision. We also feel that there are some of our teachers who are not receiving the pay they ought, but with the amount of funds at our disposal we have not felt justified in increasing their salary. Our expenses for the coming year will be somewhat greater than in the past, and we ask for a corresponding increase in the appropriation for our department. Our estimates will be found embodied in the recommendations of the Selectmen in the Auditor's report. We have endeavored to expend the money at our disposal with a due regard for economy and the best interests of our schools. We have kept the school buildings in good repair, and have made some few changes in addition to those made on the Nason street houses.

We have had a fence built around the Arlington street school house in accordance with the vote of the town last March.

## TRUANCY.

Since our last report a truant school has been established by the County Commissioners at Walpole. We regret that it has been necessary to send two of our boys to the school, and yet we believe that they are better off than they were, and we have good reason to hope that they will be much benefitted by their attendance there. We already see the beneficial effect of this school upon those who formerly thought that it was perfectly

safe to be a truant. There are still a few cases which we are carefully watching. We have endeavored with the help of our truant officers to investigate every case of truancy that has come to our knowledge.

### ATTENDANCE.

We desire to call the attention of parents to a change that was made last May, in the law relating to the number of weeks a child must attend school each year. Formerly the number was twenty, it is now thirty weeks. The practical effect of the law is that there are but few cases where a child under fourteen years of age can obtain a labor certificate.

We wish that parents could more fully understand the importance of regular attendance at school, not only as it may effect their own child, but also the injurious results to other children. Irregularity of attendance results practically in a shortened school year, with no lessening of expense to the town. If our schools are to be efficient and perform their best work, we must have not only good teachers, but scholars who shall be fonnd in their places every day school is in session.

### SUPERINTENDENCE.

The question of employing a superintendent of schools is one that has been before you. We again commend the question to you for your favorable action thereon. At present the supervision of schools is attended to by a committee of six. We have done the best we could under the circumstances. We have assigned a certain number of schools to each member of the committee. Two members of the committee have special charge of the High school. By this division of labor we do not mean that we do not give attention to those schools which are not especially assigned to us. We have divided the work, but hold the whole committee responsible for the general direction of all the schools.

Wherever superintendents are employed we hear the system highly commended. Franklin is in a position to join with some other town in the employment of superintendent, and

receive a certain sum from the State treasury sufficient in part to pay the salary of the superintendent. We hope you will consider it for the best interest of the town to employ such an officer, as the total cost of supervision is not likely to be increased.

### BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

We have made few changes in text books. The chief change was the discarding of Harper's geographies for Butler's. In order that the teachers and scholars should have proper material with which to work, they must have more reference books, maps and apparatus. This applies to all grades of our schools. In the High school we are lacking very much in scientific apparatus.

### INCREASED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

There is an increasing need of more school accommodation. For three years we have been obliged to have a school in the Town House, which is denounced by all as wholly unfit for the purpose, endangering as it does the health of both scholars and teachers. We have had more sick scholars in this school than in any other in town. Within a year two of the teachers who have taught there have been obliged to give up on account of ill-health, which seemed to be fairly attributable to the injurious influence of the house. We have endeavored to obtain some more suitable location for this school but have not been able to do so.

The two Sub-Grammar schools are by far too full. We have put additional seats in the rooms, so that the utmost limit has been reached and passed. Sixty scholars of the Sub-Grammar grade are too many for our rooms and too many for one teacher to instruct properly. In these two schools there are today in attendance one hundred and sixteen (116) scholars, enough for three good schools. In each school there is a class of over thirty-five (35). We have sought to relieve the hard worked teachers of these schools by the employment of an assistant. The classroom used by the assistant is a small cloak room entirely unsuitable for the purpose. What is

needed and must be had is another school for this grade. The prospect is that these schools will be even fuller another year.

At the High school we have only one small class room suitable for a dozen scholars at most, and yet the entering classes the past two years have numbered over twenty, and we have been obliged to crowd the full class into this small room. This room is also the girls' cloak room.

Anyone who will honestly consider the needs of our schools must at once come to the conclusion that we require more schoolrooms. Having in mind the present condition of our schools, the growth of the town, the number of scholars we are likely to have, and having a due regard for the comfort and health of both scholars and teachers we must again urge upon you the pressing and immediate necessity of increased school accommodation. We trust the report of the committee appointed last March to act on this subject will be such as to receive your approval.

On the following page will be found a brief abstract of the school census.

For the Committee.

C. E. GRIFFIN.

WILLIAM F. RAY,
LYDIA P. RAY,
CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
R. M. FARNUM,
GEORGE KING,
MARY A. WIGGIN,
School Committee.

## SCHOOL CENSUS.

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| May 1, 1885, | No. | scholars | between | 5 and 15 | years of age, | 796 |
| " 1, 1886, | " | " | " | " | " | 869 |
| " 1, 1887, | " | " | " | " | " | 930 |
| " 1, 1888, | " | " | " | " | " | 924 |
| " 1, 1889, | " | " | " | " | " | 968 |
| " 1, 1890, | " | " | " | " | " | 1012 |
| May 1, 1885, | No. | scholars | between | 8 and 14 | years of age, | 465 |
| " 1, 1886, | " | " | " | " | " | 531 |
| " 1, 1887, | " | " | " | " | " | 583 |
| " 1, 1888, | " | " | " | " | " | 591 |
| " 1, 1889, | " | " | " | " | " | 597 |
| " 1, 1890, | " | " | " | " | " | 625 |

# Reports of Town Officers.

## Special Police Report.

To the Selectmen of Franklin:

I received my appointment from the Selectmen in March last for one year and have attended to the duties of prosecuting officer to the best of my ability during the time. I have made three seizures, and prosecuted five individuals for illegal keeping and selling of liquor, four of which were proven guilty and received sentence.

The case against Seth K. Freeman was not proven as against Freeman, but against his hired man, Linnehan, who has fled the State.

I have sworn out and served eight search warrants, and prosecuted twenty-one individuals for drunkenness, and convicted one as a common drunkard, all of which either paid fines or served time at Dedham.

The sale of liquor a year ago seemed to be well under control in the whole town and has continued so during the year with the exception of a time in the summer when I was disabled; the persons who were in the habit of selling liquor and creating disturbance took advantage of the situation and for a month or so caused me some trouble.

Since the seizure of liquors from Fitzpatrick and his indictment before the Grand Jury at Dedham for keeping a common nuisance the town has been very quiet.

At the present time the town is in a better condition, so far as the sale of liquor and drunkenness is concerned, than it has been the past four or five years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SILAS W. NICKERSON.

# Annual Report of the Board of Health.

The Board organized at its first meeting on March 11, following election, and adopted a code of rules and regulations as required by the public statutes. These rules and regulations were published from time to time in the Franklin Sentinel. For the better accommodation of the public the Board authorized the Town Clerk to sign permits for the removal and burial of corpses. Messrs. R. L. McPherson, H. Bemis and J. B. Fitzpatrick were appointed undertakers.

During the spring and summer eight complaints of nuisances, arising from neglected and exposed cesspools and privy vaults, were made to us. In all cases they were promptly abated after notice to the parties liable. Several other cases came under our own observation which were remedied in like manner.

There have been reported to us seventeen cases of scarlet fever, two of diphtheria and two of measles, in all of which due precautions were enjoined to prevent exposure. Nearly all the cases of scarlet fever have been of a mild type, which, considering the number of cases and the various localities in which they occurred, plainly indicates—when taken in connection with the absence of other diseases frequently produced by local causes—that the general sanitary condition of the town has been good. But to maintain this desirable condition, especially in localities where our increasing population are already becoming dense, it is plain to us, that some more effectual means must be provided for the disposal of house drainage. It is quite evident that the Legislature had in mind the method of obviating such a condition of things, when, in 1889, it made the following provisions:

"Any town may authorize its board of health to make and enforce in such town such regulations as said board may deem

necessary for the safety and health of the people with reference to house drainage and its connection with public sewerage, where public sewerage abuts the estate to be drained."

From investigations made we find a large number of children under six and seven years of age who have not been vaccinated, much to the danger of the community from an invasion of small pox. In one primary school we found thirty-one scholars out of forty-two that had never been vaccinated, which leads us to think that over fifty per cent. of the children of the ages previously mentioned are in an unprotected condition. We invite your careful attention to the following statutory provision in Pub. Stat., chap. 80, relating to the subject:

"Parents and guardians shall cause their children and wards to be vaccinated before they attain the age of two years."

"For every year's neglect the party offending shall forfeit five dollars."

"The Selectmen . . . shall require and enforce the vaccination of all the inhabitants."

"Towns shall furnish the means of vaccination to such of their inhabitants as are unable to pay for the same."

"The School Committee shall not allow a child who has not been duly vaccinated to be admitted to or connected with the public schools."

Respectfully submitted for the Board.

GEORGE KING.

GEORGE KING,
WALTER M. FISHER,
WM. E. NASON,
Board of Health.

## Assessors' Report.

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| Personal property, | $375,725 00 |
| Real estate, | 1,893,060 00 |
| Resident bank stock, | 123,640 00 |
| Total, | $2,392,425 00 |
| Number of polls assessed, | 1312 |
| Females, | 2 |
| Rate of tax per $1000, | $13 00 |
| Tax on personal property, | $6,491 75 |
| On real estate, | 24,609 78 |
| On resident bank stock, | 1,607 32 |
| Value of buildings taxed, | $1,183,218 00 |
| " land " | 709,842 00 |
| Total value of real estate, | $1,893,060 00 |
| State tax, | $2,030 00 |
| County tax, | 1,561 11 |
| Town grants, less corporation tax, | 28,368 66 |
| Overlay, | 1,766 76 |
| Total, | $33,726 53 |

ASA A. FLETCHER,
WM. E. NASON,
EUGENE N. THAIN,
Assessors.

# Report of Engineers of Fire Department.

Your board would submit the following report for the year ending January 31, 1891 :

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| Appropriated, | $2800 00 |
| Expended, | 2283 87 |
| Unexpended balance, | $516 13 |

FIRES.

Feb. 27.—Barn owned by A. J. McFadden ; loss, $1000 ; insurance, $600 ; cause, unknown.

March 27.—Barn owned by Charles Abbe ; loss, $1800 ; insurance, $1100.

May —.—House owned by Mrs. A. M. Waite ; damage, slight ; cause, unknown.

June 25.—Box mill owned by Hunter & Greenwood ; loss, $4500 ; insurance, $1500 ; cause, unknown.

Aug. 16.—Small fire at Rubber Works ; small loss.

Nov. 19.—Fire on N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Car of leather partly destroyed ; loss about $6000.

Nov. 28.—House owned by Henry B. Kimball ; loss, $2200 ; insurance, $1650 ; cause, unknown.

The department consists of six engineers, two engine companies, two hose and one hook and ladder company. The department is in good condition.

Would recommend the putting in of more hydrants on Union, Washington and Arlington streets, beyond the railroad crossing, also the purchase of more hose.

G. E. EMERSON,
F. A. SHINER,
L. J. KELLY,
L. E. MORRISSY,
THOMAS SPENCE,
WM. BUCKLEY,
Engineers.

# Report of Overseers of Poor.

The Board of Overseers of the Poor present the following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1891 :

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| Appropriated, | $3790 75 |
| Expended, | 3833 30 |
| Overdrawn, | $42 55 |

OUTSIDE POOR.

The total number of persons having applied for and received aid is 145 ; of these 35 have settlements in other towns, 15 were State paupers, the remaining 95 have settlements in this town.

Bills to the amount of $94.10 are due from the State.

It has been our aim to keep the outside expenses as low as possible, yet we have had large bills owing to an unusual amount of sickness and calls from large families.

ALMSHOUSE.

The management of the Town Farm, both indoors and out, has been satisfactory. We have a large quantity of hay still remaining in the barn unsold. We are keeping one horse and six cows.

We would call your special attention to the putting in of steam heat at almshouse, both for comfort and safety ; the inmates are aged people and we think it dangerous with so many wood fires to look after.

Owing to the increase in calls for aid we would recommend that the town grant $4000 for the ensuing year.

G. E. EMERSON,
W. H. BRIGHT,
C. M. ALLEN,
Overseers of Poor.

INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE.

| | AGE | WEEKS. |
|---|---|---|
| George Daniels, | 48 | 52 |
| Levi C. Fisher, | 81 | 52 |
| Orin Adams (died), | 80 | 28 |
| Daniel Greene, | 85 | 52 |
| J. W. McPherson, | 77 | 52 |
| Charles A. Clark, | 77 | 52 |
| Henry Grimes, | 75 | 52 |
| Lucy Kimball, | 77 | 52 |
| Wm. Nottage, | 41 | 41 |
| Martain Hunt, | — | 1 |
| Ellen Savage, | 8 | 14 |
| James Savage, | 6 | 14 |
| John Savage, | 4 | 14 |
| Cyntha Brown, | — | 4 |
| | | 491 |

# Report of Public Library.

To the Inhabitants of the Town:

In May the library was removed to its new and larger quarters on Dean avenue. For this reason the books were called in and held during May, instead of August as heretofore.

Number of different persons who have taken out books in the year, 592; nnmber of books drawn, 10,999—a gain of 500 over last year.

The librarian has collected fines to the amount of $17.95; for catalogues and cards, $12.60; total, $30.55.

Number of volumes covered, 636; cost of covering, $12.72.

Seven volumes were not accounted for on the examination of books after the removal of the library in May. This is a larger number of missing volumes than usual, but they may appear in the next examination as has often been the case in the past.

There have been added to the library, new volumes, 150.

The library has received by donation: Reports of Board of Education, 3 vols; Journal of House of Representatives, 1890; Journal of Senate, 1890; Consular Reports, 4 vols; Manual of Gen. Court of Mass.; Report of State Library; Two Copies of "Tribune Extras"; Costa Rica; Dedham Register; Education of Business Men; also, "Marvels of the New West," and "Our Flag Half-Mast," from William M. Thayer.

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|---|---|
| Expense of taking charge of the library, | $739 27 |
| Expended for books, | 219 75 |
| Total, | $959 02 |

JOSEPH G. RAY,
GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
WM. M. THAYER,
For the Directors.

## Police Report.

To the Selectmen of Franklin:

Since receiving my appointment as police officer last March I have arrested and prosecuted to a conviction 10 persons for intoxication, 2 persons for assault, and have cared for 42 tramps in the lockup.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY CONNERS.

# Selectmen's Report.

The Selectmen submit the following report:

After the annual March meeting the Selectmen met and elected George W. Wiggin, chairman, and Charles Stewart, clerk.

After inspecting the various roads in town, the board decided to pursue the same general policy in repairs as had been adopted in the previous year, and present the following summary of the work done by them and the surveyor of highways acting under their direction:

| | Length of Road Built. | Cubic Yards of Material Used. | Cost of Labor. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wachusett Street, | 200 feet, | 50 | $17 50 |
| Alpine Street extension, | 279 " | 100 | 50 00 |
| Cottage Street, | 854 " | 800 | 320 00 |
| Beaver Street, | 2030 " | 2640 | 425 34 |
| Union Street, | 2204 " | 6744 | 1,640 13 |
| Chestnut Street, | 600 " | 160 | 33 55 |
| Thayer Street, | 525 " | 400 | 100 00 |
| Pleasant Street, | 11,455 " | 7568 | 2,749 23 |
| Washington Street, | 1377 " | 1020 | 255 00 |
| Central Street, | 2500 " | 1150 | 379 51 |
| Alpine Place, | 495 " | 119 | 59 37 |
| Pond Street, | 975 " | 235 | 76 50 |
| Pine Street, | 500 " | 100 | 51 00 |
| Fisher Street, | 600 " | 563 | 112 67 |
| Total, | 21,594 feet. | 21,549 | $6,269 80 |

From the foregoing table it therefore appears that six thousand two hundred and sixty-nine dollars and eighty cents of the town's appropriation has been expended in permanent repairs, and that over four miles of good road has been added to that which the town had at the beginning of the year.

The rest of the money expended has been used in scraping the roads and in other general repairs.

We would respectfully recommend that the town continue the system of repairing the roads which has been in practice for the past two years, believing that if this system is continued the town will have a yearly increasing mileage of first-class ways.

We have prepared the following estimates for the current expenses of the town for the next fiscal year, and respectfully submit the same:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For Support of schools, | $9,000 00 | |
| Repairs of school houses, | 2,500 00 | |
| Miscellaneous school expenses, | 600 00 | |
| School books and school supplies, | 700 00 | |
| | | $12,800 00 |
| Repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks, | | 8,000 00 |
| Support of poor, | | 4,000 00 |
| Fire department, | | 2,300 00 |
| Water supply, | | 3,700 00 |
| Street lights, | | 3,300 00 |
| Abatement and collection of taxes, | | 1,000 00 |
| Interest, | | 800 00 |
| Town officers, | | 1,800 00 |
| Printing and stationery, | | 300 00 |
| Police and suppression of illegal liquor traffic, | | 1,500 00 |
| Soldiers' aid, | | 800 00 |
| Franklin Library Association, | | 750 00 |
| Grand Army, Decoration Day, | | 100 00 |
| Miscellaneous town expenses, | | 1,000 00 |
| Total, | | $42,150 00 |

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART,
Selectmen.

## Henry R. Jenks, Treasurer, in Account

1890. RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Feb. Balance in Treasury February 1, 1890, | $3,939 21 | |
| March 15. Amount drawn from Treasury to date, | 2,877 69 | |
| " 15. Balance in Treasury, | | $1,061 52 |
| William E. Nason, balance of taxes of 1888. | $2,215 26 | |
| " " interest on " " | 118 50 | |
| " " on taxes of 1889, | 6,300 00 | |
| William Rockwood, on taxes of 1890, | 30,159 00 | |
| W. E. Nason, from Sawtelle estate sold for taxes, | 167 06 | |
| | | 38,959 82 |
| Commonwealth of Mass., Corporation tax, | 3,795 98 | |
| " " National bank tax, | 251 81 | |
| " " Contagious diseases, | 67 46 | |
| " " State paupers, | 39 11 | |
| " " Burial of soldiers, | 35 00 | |
| " " Income school fund, | 203 73 | |
| " " State aid, chapter 301, acts of 1889, | 534 50 | |
| " " Military aid, chapter 279, acts of 1889, | 495 00 | |
| | | 5,422 59 |
| County Treasurer, for dog licenses, | 548 90 | |
| " " Land damages, Pleasant street, | 671 00 | |
| | | 1,219 90 |
| Produce sold from town farm, | 627 18 | |
| Oxen " " | 105 00 | |
| George Peck, for keeping horse, | 45 00 | |
| Auctioneers' licenses, | 2 00 | |
| Circus " | 5 00 | |
| Livery stable, " | 3 00 | |
| Billiard table " | 2 00 | |
| Oleomargarine " | 1 00 | |
| F. Endicott, setting bounds, Pleasant street, | 36 00 | |
| Congregational Society, for gravel, | 10 00 | |
| Charles Hood, " | 36 30 | |
| | | 872 48 |
| Town of Blackstone, on pauper account, | 4 00 | |
| " Hopkinton, " | 27 50 | |
| " Wrentham, " | 68 81 | |
| " Foxborough, " | 253 50 | |
| " Milford, " | 23 50 | |
| " Medway, " | 52 00 | |
| " Oxford, " | 101 59 | |
| John Dolan, for support of son, | 82 43 | |
| | | 613 33 |
| School Committee, tuition, City Mills, | 34 50 | |
| B. F. S. Bank, rebate of interest, | 31 63 | |
| " " interest on L. Pond fund, | 40 40 | |
| Street lanterns sold, | 23 50 | |
| Funeral expenses of Chas. H. Allen, | 19 00 | |
| R. B. Stewart & Co., for stove, | 2 00 | |
| On temporary notes, borrowed money, | 22,200 00 | |
| | | 22,351 03 |
| | | $70,500 67 |

## with the Town of Franklin.

| Feb., 1890. | EXPENDITURES. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Teachers' salaries | to March 15, | | $882 00 |
| Care of school rooms, | " | | 24 00 |
| Fuel for schools, | " | | 37 50 |
| School books and supplies, | " | | 85 97 |
| Miscellaneous school expenses, | " | | 43 45 |
| Repairs of roads, bridges and walks, | " | | 235 64 |
| Support of almshouse, | " | | 82 19 |
| " Outside poor, | " | | 207 59 |
| " Fire department, | " | | 9 00 |
| " Street lights, | " | | 560 66 |
| Payment Town Officers, | " | | 179 75 |
| " Police Officers, | " | | 78 12 |
| Printing and stationery, | " | | 215 55 |
| Abatement of taxes, | " | | 3 00 |
| Military aid, under chap. 279, acts of 1889, | " | | 78 00 |
| State aid, " 301, " " | " | | 65 00 |
| Miscellaneous town expenses, | " | | 90 27 |
| | | | $2,877 69 |
| By balance from treasury, Feb. 1, 1890, | | | 2,877 69 |
| Teachers' salaries, | | | $7525 30 |
| Care of school rooms, | | | 550 45 |
| Fuel for schools, | | | 596 37 |
| School books and supplies, | | | 643 62 |
| Repairs school buildings, | | | 388 08 |
| Miscellaneous school expenses, | | | 521 02 |
| Repairs roads, bridges and walks, | | | 4,383 48 |
| Support of almshouse, | | | 1,674 12 |
| " Outside poor, | | | 3,266 67 |
| " Fire department, | | | 2,274 87 |
| " Street lights, | | | 2,762 44 |
| Town officers, | | | 1,518 75 |
| Police officers, | | | 582 75 |
| Printing and stationery, | | | 118 79 |
| Interest account, | | | 672 42 |
| Temporary notes, | | | 22,200 00 |
| Abatement and collection of taxes, | | | 938 69 |
| Military aid, under chap. 279, acts of 1889, | | | 724 00 |
| State " " " 301, " " | | | 771 00 |
| Special appropriations, | | | 176 00 |
| Franklin Library Association, | | | 550 00 |
| State, County and Bank Taxes, | | | 4,959 03 |
| Water supply for hydrants, | | | 3,620 00 |
| Miscellaneous town expenses, | | | 402 83 |
| Suppression illegal liquor traffic, | | | 610 00 |
| Construction of Union street, | | | 1,169 87 |
| " Pleasant street, | | | 2,476 66 |
| Land damages, " " | | | 635 00 |
| | | | $66,712 21 |
| Balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1891, | | | 3,788 46 |
| | | | $70,500 67 |

HENRY R. JENKS,
Treasurer.

February 1, 1891.

# Expenditures.

## EDUCATIONAL.

### Payments to Teachers.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Paid C. R. Adams, | 26 4-5 | weeks, | $227 80 |
| Emilie Albee, | 35 | " | 350 00 |
| Carrie L. Blake, | 12 | " | 144 00 |
| Mary H. Blaisdell, | 36 | " | 343 00 |
| C. A. Brodeur, | 21 | " | 577 50 |
| M. J. Burr, | 38 | " | 304 00 |
| Clara A. Carpenter, | 4 | " | 42 00 |
| Nellie J. Cleary, | 35 | " | 315 00 |
| Clara M. Craig, | 2 | " | 16 00 |
| George B. Chandler, | 19 | " | 522 50 |
| Ella G. Daniels, | 36 | " | 360 00 |
| Ella B. Daniels, | 7 | " | 63 00 |
| Rebecca Dunning, | 35 | " | 315 00 |
| Lydia A. Gould, | 19 | " | 171 00 |
| Hattie M. Gay, | 36 | " | 297 50 |
| Florence E. Holt, | 9 | " | 108 00 |
| L. T. Hosmer, | 39 1-2 | " | 317 50 |
| L. A. Harris, | 36 | " | 324 00 |
| Frances E. King, | 40 | " | 480 00 |
| Alma A. Knowlton, | 31 | " | 279 00 |
| Adeline McDonald, | 36 | " | 324 00 |
| Louisa A. Metcalf, | 37 | " | 333 00 |
| Isabelle M. Reilly, | 35 | " | 350 00 |
| Mary O. Sawyer, | 34 | " | 374 00 |
| Julia G. Stockbridge, | 17 | " | 153 00 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Paid Sylvia Sawyer, | 29 | weeks | $232 00 |
| Grace C. Whiting, | 45 | " | 497 50 |
| Annie A. Williams, | 7 | " | 56 00 |
| M. B. Whitney, | 19 | " | 171 00 |
| Susie E. Young, | 36 | " | 360 00 |
| Total, | | | $8,407 30 |

## Payments for Text Books and Supplies.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Dean Academy, books, | $2 70 |
| Warren P. Adams, books, | 65 82 |
| American Book Co., supplies, | 2 43 |
| J. L. Hammett, | 52 85 |
| E. H. Baker & Co., | 209 28 |
| Boston School Supply Co., | 130 32 |
| C. A. Brodeur, | 16 05 |
| L. T. Hosmer, pitch pipe, | 1 75 |
| J. B. Lippincott & Co., | 8 00 |
| A. C. Dana, | 12 84 |
| Harper Bros., | 39 20 |
| Harrison & Hume, | 8 50 |
| Ginn & Co., | 10 02 |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co., | 7 65 |
| Lee & Shepard, | 12 00 |
| Putnam & Davis, | 90 |
| Ivison, Blakeman & Co., | 32 67 |
| Thomas Reilly, | 13 44 |
| Silver & Burdett, | 73 54 |
| Carl Schœnhof, | 5 28 |
| Razee & Chilson, express, | 12 25 |
| Wm. Ware & Co., | 10 00 |
| J. F. Ray, supplies, | 2 10 |
| Total, | $729 59 |

## Repair of School Buildings.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid M. J. Burr, repairs, | $0 45 |
| J. T. Daniels, | 40 |
| F. P. Guigon, | 11 13 |
| James Follensbee, | 108 90 |
| W. H. Keach, blackboards, | 39 28 |
| Marvin Jones, | 50 |
| John K. Meek, | 8 00 |
| P. McDonald, | 1 00 |
| R. L. McPherson, curtains, | 36 31 |
| Gurney Hot Water Heater Co., pipes, | 17 50 |
| Hosie & Huntoon, | 43 41 |
| E. A. Mason, | 5 65 |
| J. F. Ray, | 55 |
| O. A. Stanley, | 115 00 |
| Total, | $388 08 |

## Fuel for Schools.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Fred Blake, shavings, | $0 25 |
| Warren H. Bright, wood, | 13 50 |
| John Dunning, cutting wood, | 10 51 |
| Jeremiah Desmond, wood, | 37 90 |
| R. H. Davison, cutting wood, | 4 25 |
| T. J. Daniels, wood, | 28 00 |
| George E. Daniels, | 1 25 |
| James Finneran, cutting wood, | 2 25 |
| Timothy Finneran, " | 7 50 |
| S. E. Gay, " | 5 70 |
| J. W. Heaton, coal, | 393 76 |
| Olive A. Howard, | 6 00 |
| Charles Johnson, storing wood, | 1 50 |
| T. Kane, cutting wood, | 3 75 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid Daniel Lamont, cutting wood, | | $11 50 |
| M. Mahoney, | " | 3 75 |
| A. Miller, | " | 10 50 |
| A. J. Newell, wood, | | 26 00 |
| J. W. Richardson, wood, | | 21 75 |
| Jason Tower, | " | 12 50 |
| John Saward, sawing, | | 3 50 |
| D. Sullivan, wood, | | 5 00 |
| J. D. Whiting, wood, | | 23 25 |
| Total, | | $633 87 |

## Care of School Rooms.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Paid R. H. Davison, | 54 | weeks, | $246 00 |
| James Finneran, | 24 | " | 12 00 |
| George Wiley, | 11 | " | 8 25 |
| Fred McDonald, | 21 | " | 10 50 |
| Bessie Dunning, | 11 | " | 5 50 |
| Peter Lamont, | 21 | " | 10 50 |
| Marvin Jones, | 26 | " | 13 25 |
| S. E. Gay, | 21 | " | 63 00 |
| Waldo Everett, | 21 | " | 10 50 |
| M. E. Johnson, | 31 | " | 15 50 |
| James Daniels, | 21 | " | 10 50 |
| Hattie M. Gay, | 36 | " | 18 00 |
| Herbert Blackington, | 14 | " | 7 00 |
| Dan'l Lamont, cleaning, | | | 2 50 |
| James Desper, | 14 | " | 10 50 |
| John Dunning, | 10 | " | 12 50 |
| Olive White, cleaning, | | | 1 70 |
| Carrie Demerritt, | 10 | " | 5 00 |
| A. M. Richardson, | 10 | " | 5 00 |
| Helen Blackington, | 10 | " | 5 00 |
| Ernest Murphy, | 6 | " | 3 00 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Paid L. A. Harris, | 12 | weeks, | $6 00 |
| A. M. Knowlton, | 4 | " | 2 00 |
| J. Murphy, | 15 | " | 45 00 |
| John Lamont, | 15 | " | 15 00 |
| Arthur Bennett, | 15 | " | 7 50 |
| M. J. Burr, | 15 | " | 9 25 |
| Mrs. McMann, | 14 | " | 14 00 |
| Total, | | | $574 45 |

## Miscellaneous School Expenses.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid H. R. Jenks, insurance, | $41 25 |
| Sentinel Pub. Co., printing, | 2 00 |
| George Wyley, cleaning, | 2 20 |
| I. M. Reilly, reports, etc., | 2 05 |
| E. Trowbridge, rent of organs, | 28 75 |
| F. P. Guigon, | 2 90 |
| D. A. Sawyer, | 1 00 |
| Julia W. Stark, cleaning, | 30 |
| O. M. Stanley, fence, | 124 00 |
| Frank Lundy, grading, | 88 |
| S. C. Taft, surveying, | 4 50 |
| Wm. Bonsall, labor, | 5 00 |
| A. Connor, truant officer, | 18 62 |
| A. W. Newell, " | 3 25 |
| W. L. Hickoff, diplomas, | 4 25 |
| Hosie & Huntoon, supplies, | 10 65 |
| Opera House, rent at graduation, | 15 00 |
| D. C. Cotton, supplies, | 48 12 |
| L. W. Milliken, " | 51 |
| S. W. Squire, school census, | 30 00 |
| C. L. Graves, ladders, | 3 50 |
| L. H. Marsh, labor, | 3 33 |
| George King, miscellaneous, | 44 50 |

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|---|---|
| Paid R. H. Davison, cleaning, | $17 70 |
| Mrs. Davison, " | 6 15 |
| Mary Quinn, " | 7 33 |
| Mrs. Johnson, " | 5 00 |
| Margaret Welsh, " | 3 00 |
| W. H. Bright, posts, | 7 20 |
| Ellen Croston, cleaning, | 14 50 |
| J. Desmond, " | 9 00 |
| C. L. Fales & Co., supplies, | 1 20 |
| Patrick Reynolds, labor, | 6 00 |
| W. Woodman, " | 70 |
| G. W. Wells, " | 4 10 |
| John Lamont, " | 5 50 |
| O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber, | 56 17 |
| G. H. Willoby, repairing clocks, | 5 50 |
| T. M. Turner & Co., | 50 |
| Norfolk Pub. Co., notices, | 2 00 |
| J. F. Ray, matches, | 25 |
| C. E. Griffin, care of books and express, | 16 11 |
| Total, | $564 47 |

# Roads, Bridges and Walks.

PAID.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Feb'y. | Various persons, 17 1-2 cents per hour, labor, | $46 75 | |
| | H. M. Stowers, | 60 00 | |
| | E. Hartshorn, gravel, | 11 04 | |
| | J. G. Cunningham, team labor, | 21 00 | |
| | | | $138 79 |
| March. | Charles Rand, | $42 00 | |
| | F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing, | 6 00 | |
| | R. B. Stewart & Co., repairs, | 33 25 | |
| | H. S. Wilkes, horse medicine, | 1 00 | |
| | Franklin Iron Foundry, castings, | 5 60 | |
| | Geo. H. Heywood, filing saws, | 1 05 | |
| | Bennett Bros., repairing harness, | 2 20 | |
| | A. H. Morse, gravel, | 15 00 | |
| | H. M. Stowers, | 60 00 | |
| | | | 166 10 |
| April. | Various persons, 17 1-2c h., labor, | 653 97 | |
| | " " 15c hour, " | 114 37 | |
| | J. G. Cunningham, team labor, | 83 80 | |
| | M. J. Hart, " | 81 00 | |
| | McCarthy Bros., " | 40 50 | |
| | T. Kane, " | 22 50 | |
| | John Stewart, " | 45 00 | |
| | W. A. Pond, " | 78 05 | |
| | S. B. Thain, " | 79 75 | |
| | Owen Shields, " | 20 25 | |
| | C. H. Badger, " | 16 65 | |
| | M. Croston, labor, | 11 25 | |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 11 85 | |
| | O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber, | 45 64 | |
| | D. C. Cotton, drain pipe and tools, | 32 27 | |
| | J. McParland, mending harness, | 1 50 | |
| | A. P. Smith, painting cart, | 7 50 | |
| | Geo. Tyler, scraper repairs, | 8 50 | |
| | H. M. Stowers, | 30 00 | |
| | | | 1,384 35 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| May. | Various persons, 17 1-2 h., labor, | $106 91 | |
| | Lewis F. Williams, land, | 100 00 | |
| | T. Kane, team labor, | 18 00 | |
| | W. A. Pond, " | 22 50 | |
| | J. G. Cunningham, team labor, | 54 00 | |
| | W. Pierce, labor, | 2 00 | |
| | J. W. Clark & Son, repairs, | 8 67 | |
| | S. C. Taft, surveying, | 20 35 | |
| | J. W. Heaton, grain, | 34 38 | |
| | F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing, | 20 75 | |
| | E. A. Mason, " | 14 00 | |
| | H. M. Stowers, | 15 00 | |
| | | | $416 56 |
| June. | As per roll on time book, | 385 17 | |
| | Bennett Bros., repairs of harness, | 1 65 | |
| | Barry, Beals & Co., caps, | 1 00 | |
| | Newell Willett, stones, | 20 00 | |
| | R. B. Bailey, blasting stones, | 10 75 | |
| | W. A. Pond, use of cart, | 7 50 | |
| | M. J. Hart, team labor, | 9 00 | |
| | | | 435 07 |
| July. | As per roll on time book, | 199 00 | |
| | Hosie & Huntoon, supplies, | 23 94 | |
| | D. C. Cotton, | 8 73 | |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 5 60 | |
| | F. A. Rogers, " | 6 90 | |
| | A. H. Morse, rent of barn, | 18 00 | |
| | James Hood. split stone, | 24 75 | |
| | Bennett Bros., fly nets, etc., | 7 50 | |
| | | | 294 42 |
| August. | As per roll on time book, | 350 03 | |
| | F. M. Ballou & Co., concreting, | 176 50 | |
| | Charles Ackley, gravel, | 12 05 | |
| | S. C. Taft, surveying, | 2 50 | |
| | | | 541 08 |
| Sept. | As per roll on time book, | 161 92 | |
| | Jason Tower, timber, | 22 50 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sept. | F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing, | $5 | 30 | |
| | J. G. Cunningham, horse hire, | 10 | 00 | |
| | N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight bill, | 1 | 44 | |
| | W. H. Bright, posts, | 18 | 20 | |
| | D. Thayer, Jr., gravel, | 50 | 00 | |
| | B. D. Aldrich, drain pipe, | 25 | 00 | |
| | F. P. Guigon, axle grease, | | 75 | |
| | W. E. Pond, stone posts, | 13 | 00 | |
| | Franklin Iron Foundry, grate, | 5 | 60 | |
| | | | | 313 71 |
| October. | As per roll on time book, | 232 | 64 | |
| | S. H. Jordan, labor, | 10 | 00 | |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 7 | 65 | |
| | | | | 250 29 |
| Nov. | As per roll on time book, | 237 | 90 | |
| | F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing, | 4 | 75 | |
| | Geo. W. Haywood, filing saws, | 5 | 55 | |
| | James McParland, mending harness, | 1 | 60 | |
| | | | | 249 80 |
| Dec. | As per roll on time book, | 143 | 12 | |
| | Heaton Bros., grain, | 146 | 21 | |
| | Bennett Bros., repairing harness, | 1 | 50 | |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 11 | 65 | |
| | | | | 302 48 |
| January. | As per roll on time book, | 80 | 87 | |
| | Wm. Mann, hay, | 21 | 65 | |
| | A. P. Smith, lettering, | 3 | 00 | |
| | Hosie & Huntoon, hardware, | 4 | 00 | |
| | Bennett Bros., repairing harness, | 3 | 60 | |
| | M. J. Hart, use of horse, | 1 | 50 | |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 9 | 10 | |
| | James McParland, repairing harness, | 2 | 75 | |
| | | | | 126 47 |
| | Total, | | | $4,619 12 |

## Payments for Union, Pleasant and Cross Streets.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Peter McMahon, labor and teams, | $20 00 |
| Dennis Sullivan, | 14 06 |
| Owen Shield, | 29 37 |
| Patrick Higgins, | 16 00 |
| M. J. Hart, | 64 12 |
| McCarthy Bros., | 241 94 |
| J. J. McCarthy, | 48 12 |
| T. Kane, | 4 50 |
| T. Martin, | 7 50 |
| M. Croston, | 54 37 |
| M. Shield, | 7 00 |
| P. Haley, | 20 20 |
| R. B. Bailey, | 25 50 |
| J. W. Clark & Sons, repairs, | 28 87 |
| Various persons, labor, 15 cents per hour, | 457 32 |
| As per time book, labor, | 132 00 |
| Total, | $1,169 87 |

## Payments for Pleasant Street.

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|---|---|
| Paid various persons, 15 cents per hour, | $520 82 |
| " " 17 1-2 cents per hour, | 382 41 |
| McCarthy Bros., team labor, | 148 05 |
| M. Hart, Jr., " | 60 82 |
| S. B. Thain, " | 66 60 |
| R. B. Bailey, labor, | 3 00 |
| John Stewart, | 70 30 |
| M. Croston, | 28 62 |
| H. M. Stowers, | 30 00 |
| W. A. Pond, team labor, | 52 30 |
| J. G. Cunningham, team labor, | 23 40 |
| A. Bouchee, labor, | 10 30 |

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|---|---|
| Paid Frank Murphy and A. Commisky, gravel, | $15 00 |
| E. A. Mason, sharpening picks, | 31 85 |
| F. A. Rogers, " | 23 30 |
| As per roll on time book, | 1,009 89 |
| Total, | $2,476 66 |

## Payments for Almshouse.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Geo. B. Peck, salary, | $500 00 |
| " exchange of horses, | 60 00 |
| J. C. Gallison, medical attendance, | 14 50 |
| Howard W. Spurr & Co., groceries, | 213 28 |
| M. L. Cheney, cows, | 58 00 |
| M. B. Wood, labor, | 127 50 |
| O. F. Metcalf & Sons, supplies, | 146 81 |
| Seth Blake, painting, | 27 00 |
| E. E. Harrington, potatoes, | 15 75 |
| R. B. Stewart & Co., repairs, | 20 45 |
| J. W. Heaton, grain, etc., | 231 29 |
| T. Harmon, manure, | 27 63 |
| J. D. Hosmer, oxen, | 85 00 |
| N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight, | 15 91 |
| J. F. Lesure, boots and shoes, | 17 75 |
| W. H. Bright, fertilizer, | 24 50 |
| D. C. Cotton, tools and supplies, | 16 83 |
| Hawley, Folson & Co., | 7 99 |
| Bardon & Keep, groceries, | 44 80 |
| Hosie & Huntoon, supplies, | 16 18 |
| John Stewart, carting corn, | 22 50 |
| A. Thayer, repairing shoes, | 1 45 |
| Byrnes Bros., crackers, | 21 00 |
| Henry Bemis, burial of O. Adams, | 5 00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid O. B. Carter, clothing, | | $7 00 |
| E. A. Mason, blacksmithing. | | 19 15 |
| G. W. Miller, fish, | | 1 64 |
| A. C. Dana, medicine, | | 7 40 |
| Total, | | $1,756 31 |

## Poor Out of Almshouse.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid Mrs. Handy, aid for Mrs. L. Weeks, | | $18 00 |
| M. Doughty, aid, | | 60 00 |
| Peter George, aid for daughter, | | 51 00 |
| Patrick Feeley, " Murphy children, | | 126 00 |
| M. Dugan, " Mrs. Tobin, | | 91 44 |
| C. T. Nye, " C. Brown, | | 69 07 |
| Mrs. L. Weeks, aid, | | 84 00 |
| J. C. Gallison, medical attendance, N. Ryan, | | 30 00 |
| " " " Mrs. Belland, | | 2 50 |
| " " " Maggie Hall, | | 2 50 |
| " " " Mrs. Gillaney, | | 2 50 |
| " " " Mrs. Carr, | | 19 50 |
| " " " Watkins boy, | | 27 50 |
| A. C. Dana, medicine for M. Savage, | | 1 50 |
| Town of Shrewsbury, for Kate Newell, | | 36 00 |
| W. H. Bright, wood for M. Parren, | | 7 50 |
| " " Harrison, | | 4 75 |
| H. S. Wilkes, medicine, M. Savage, | | 10 85 |
| " " | | 7 88 |
| A. F. Staples, groceries, J. Lundy, | | 2 00 |
| " " J. Sexton, | | 68 34 |
| " " Mrs. Cody, | | 29 82 |
| A. M. Smith, rent, Mrs. Carr, | | 36 00 |
| J. W. Richardson, wood, Mrs. Carr, | | 15 00 |
| C. L. Fales & Co., groceries, M. Savage, | | 125 29 |

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|---|---|
| Paid R. L. McPherson, burial of C. H. Allen, | $14 00 |
| " " Orin Adams, | 21 00 |
| " " Mrs. Pierson, | 18 00 |
| Thompson & Clark, groceries for Mrs. Carr, | 56 12 |
| " " " Rose Phillips, | 88 54 |
| " " " P. Magoty, | 6 51 |
| E. B. Stowe, supplies, J. Callahan, | 51 00 |
| Wm. Mann, " M. Quinn, | 58 38 |
| " " Mrs. A. Pond, | 13 50 |
| John Kane, burial of J. Callahan, | 18 00 |
| Heaton Brothers, coal, Savage, | 7 00 |
| " " " Parren, | 1 88 |
| " " " Pierson, | 3 50 |
| Worcester Lunatic Hospital, insane persons, | 312 88 |
| Worcester Insane Asylum, " | 328 72 |
| Westboro Insane Hospital, " | 133 72 |
| Danvers Lunatic Asylum, " | 135 17 |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts, | 173 99 |
| Worcester Poor Dept., Jane Savage, | 84 00 |
| Town of Uxbridge, for Russell family, | 157 65 |
| M. Hart, for P. Healy, | 18 50 |
| Mrs. John Metcalf, care of Mrs. Pond, | 41 08 |
| Dr. Geo. King, medical attendance, | 2 00 |
| T. E. Osborne, groceries for A. Hill, | 40 18 |
| Camp & Co., " " | 46 00 |
| Dr. G. A. Martin, med. attendance, Mrs. Pond, | 45 00 |
| D. W. Corson, Mrs. Cody, | 16 50 |
| Emory Pond, rent, M. Savage, | 42 00 |
| Baker & Co., Jackson family, | 88 00 |
| A. M. Waite, rent for Mrs. Cody, | 60 00 |
| Hattie M. Fuller, rent for Pierson, | 24 00 |
| F. Lesure, boots and shoes, Pierson and Savage, | 10 00 |
| Dennis Sullivan, wood for Pierson, | 2 50 |
| N. E. Darling, for Edwards & Son, | 2 50 |
| J. J. McCarthy, for P. Healy, | 27 70 |
| C. A. Wight, groceries, for Ed. Barrows, | 40 00 |
| J. A. Waterman & Co., clothing for Pierson, | 9 75 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid E. E. Baker, milk for Pierson, | | $1 45 |
| J. B. Fitzpatrick, burial of M. Savage, | | 20 00 |
| M. J. Long, for Mrs. Quinn, | | 5 00 |
| O. F. Metcalf & Sons, wood for Pierson, | | 1 00 |
| Town of Marlboro, for Mrs. Hart, | | 76 00 |
| T. M. Turner & Co., groceries to Mrs. Niles, | | 52 00 |
| " " " | Kate White, | 21 00 |
| " " " | J. Varley, | 20 00 |
| " " " | Pierson, | 35 00 |
| C. M. Allen, milk to M. Savage, | | 25 50 |
| " " | M. Doughty, | 6 10 |
| " " | J. Varley, | 3 65 |
| " " | Mrs. Cody, | 4 60 |
| Henry Bemis, burial of Mrs. Pierson, | | 5 00 |
| " " | C. H. Allen, | 5 00 |
| Dr. F. H. Jenckes, med. attendance, | M. Savage, | 14 50 |
| " " " | P. Magoty, | 41 25 |
| " " " | P. Hanley, | 9 00 |
| Total, | | $3,474 26 |

$19 for burial of C. H. Allen was repaid to town by daughter of deceased.

## Fire Department.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Cataract Engine Co., | $440 00 |
| Emerson Hook & Ladder Co., | 150 00 |
| Herdic Hose Co., | 120 00 |
| Protector Hose Co., | 140 00 |
| J. G. Ray Engine Co., | 485 00 |
| J. Sullivan and J. Reardon, | 3 50 |
| Elmer Thayer, labor, | 2 00 |
| W. H. Williams, labor, | 1 50 |
| Clarence Quilter, " | 2 00 |
| C. M. Hurd, " | 7 00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid | L. W. Daniels, hauling engine, | $2 00 |
| | Lucy Jones, housing engine, | 15 00 |
| | Thomas Spence, engineer, | 12 00 |
| | Frank Shiner, " | 12 00 |
| | L. J. Kelly, " | 12 00 |
| | Lawrence Morrissy, " | 12 00 |
| | " " labor, | 2 35 |
| | W. F. Buckley, engineer and supplies | 14 50 |
| | Daniel Buckley, labor on engine, | 11 00 |
| | S. M. Spencer, stencils, | 1 80 |
| | T. J. Daniels, labor at forest fire, | 5 00 |
| | P. M. Lennon, labor on engine, | 1 20 |
| | J. W. Clark & Son, repairs, | 11 10 |
| | W. F. King and others, forest fire, | 8 50 |
| | C. A. Stockbridge, forest fire, | 2 00 |
| | Boston Woven Hose Co., hose, | 309 75 |
| | Town of Medway, | 12 00 |
| | D. C. Cotton, supplies, | 6 90 |
| | Henry Schumski, hauling hose, | 2 00 |
| | H. M. Stowers, forest fire, | 1 50 |
| | Bennett Bros., repairs, | 23 20 |
| | Wm. Rockwood, firemen's poll taxes, | 234 00 |
| | E. F. Cole, labor, | 9 90 |
| | W. A. Pond and others, forest fire, | 24 25 |
| | C. E. Woodward, fire warden, | 6 70 |
| | Various persons, Kimball fire, | 10 70 |
| | Various persons, forest fire, | 4 50 |
| | Adams Express Co., | 40 |
| | Harry Spence, labor, | 5 63 |
| | Frank Maguire, " | 5 68 |
| | Geo. Ward, " | 3 62 |
| | E. A. Mason, blacksmithing, | 17 50 |
| | A. Haggert, hauling engine, | 1 50 |
| | A. P. Smith, painting, | 1 00 |
| | John Sullivan, labor, | 50 |
| | R. F. Kendrick, | 1 50 |
| | Redding Electric Co., mdse., | 30 08 |
| | Walworth Manufacturing Co., | 68 18 |

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|---|---|
| Paid M. J. Long, labor, | $2 87 |
| Various persons, labor, | 9 85 |
| C. H. Badger, hauling engine, | 3 00 |
| G. E. Emerson, engineer, | 12 00 |
| A. C. Dana, alcohol, | 1 38 |
| J. F. Ray, oil, | 33 |
| Total, | $2,283 87 |

## For Street Lights.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Union Electric Lighting Co., | $3,300 00 |
| John Dolan, oil, etc., | 7 14 |
| C. L. Fales, oil, | 4 62 |
| T. M. Turner & Co., oil, | 4 54 |
| James Mahon, care of street lamps, | 6 80 |
| Total, | $3,323 10 |

## For Printing and Stationery.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid A. C. Dana, paper, | $3 05 |
| J. M. Freeman, postage stamps, | 4 25 |
| J. M. Whittemore & Co., | 5 03 |
| Falmouth Pub. Co., | 1 50 |
| Thomas Groom & Co., tax book, | 3 00 |
| Norfolk Pub. Co., | 2 00 |
| Sentinel Pub. Co., warrants, etc., | 21 00 |
| " " town reports, | 188 00 |
| " " voting lists, | 15 00 |
| " " for collector, | 13 75 |
| " " assessors, | 22 50 |
| " " miscellaneous, | 55 26 |
| Total, | $334 34 |

## Payments to Police.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Anthony Connor, salary, | $600 00 |
| " " expenses, | 7 00 |
| J. B. Fitzpatrick, police services, | 28 50 |
| A. W. Newell, | 21 12 |
| H. M. Stowers, | 4 25 |
| Total, | $660 87 |

## Payments to Town Officers.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid C. M. Allen, overseer, | $60 00 |
| W. H. Bright, " | 60 00 |
| J. W. Desmond, registrar, | 2 75 |
| " " ballot inspector, | 3 00 |
| George E. Emerson, overseer, | 125 00 |
| Mrs. R. M. Farnum, school committee, | 50 00 |
| Henry R. Jenks, treasurer, | 150 00 |
| Asa A. Fletcher, assessor, | 153 75 |
| C. E. Griffin, registrar, | 4 75 |
| " school committee, | 149 57 |
| Daniel W. Halloran, | 11 44 |
| Jeremiah J. McCarthy, selectman, | 75 00 |
| George King, board of health, | 5 00 |
| " " school committee, | 70 00 |
| N. C. Nye, registrar, | 9 06 |
| Nelson E. Newell, auditor, | 50 00 |
| Wm. E. Nason, assessor, | 140 00 |
| Miss L. P. Ray, school committee, | 75 00 |
| B. M. Rockwood, registrar, | 12 50 |
| H. E. Ruggles, registrar, | 11 68 |
| " " town clerk, | 50 00 |

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|---|---|
| Paid Charles Stewart, selectman and clerk of board, | $100 00 |
| E. N. Thain, assessor, | 150 00 |
| Mary A. Wiggin, school committee, | 105 00 |
| G. W. Wiggin, selectman, | 75 00 |
| Total, | $1,698 50 |

## Payment of Temporary Notes.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Trustees King David Lodge, I. O. O. F., | $2,000 00 |
| Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, | 18,000 00 |
| T. M. Turner, | 2,200 00 |
| Total, | $22,200 00 |

## Payment of Interest.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid T. M. Turner, | $36 67 |
| Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, on notes, | 535 75 |
| King David Lodge, I. O. O. F., | 100 00 |
| Total, | $672 42 |

## Payments for Land Damage, Pleasant St.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Lewis F. Williams, | $20 00 |
| Mrs. N. Willett, | 575 00 |
| Julia E. Pond, | 20 00 |
| Annie M. Atwood, | 20 00 |
| Total, | $635 00 |

## Abatement and Collection of Taxes.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid Mary M. Morse, | tax of 1888, | 3 00 |
| Ellen Blake, | " " | 2 00 |
| Alexander Shiner, | " 1889, | 2 00 |
| Mary A. Tobey, | " 1888, | 7 50 |
| John Lynch, | " 1890, | 1 30 |
| Frank H. Randall, | " " | 4 68 |
| Various persons, | " " | 59 64 |
| Warren C. Mann, | " 1889, | 5 38 |
| Abatements for various persons, 1888, | | 476 31 |
| Wm. E. Nason, collecting taxes, 1888, | | 379 88 |
| Total, | | $941 69 |

## For Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic.

Paid Silas W. Nickerson, $610 00

## Franklin Library Association.

Paid George W. Wiggin, treasurer, $550 00

## Payments for Water Supply.

Paid Franklin Water Co., hydrant service, $3,620 00

## Special Appropriations.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Franklin Improvement Society, | $76 00 |
| Post 60, G. A. R., for Memorial Day, | 100 00 |
| Total, | $176 00 |

## State, County and Bank Taxes.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid State Treasurer, on corporation tax, | $127 77 |
| County tax, 1890, | 1,561 11 |
| State Treasurer, State tax, | 2,030 00 |
| National bank tax, | 1,240 15 |
| Total, | $4,959 03 |

## Miscellaneous Town Expenses.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid D. R. Hatch, wagon shaft, | $4 00 |
| S. C. Taft, surveying, | 6 50 |
| L. W. Milliken, paper, | 97 |
| L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants, | 9 50 |
| J. G. Ray, rent of and heating town officers' room, | 125 00 |
| J. M. Freeman, postage stamps, | 11 75 |
| Dean Academy, gas, | 3 30 |
| R. H. Davison, janitor, | 13 00 |
| Express, | 15 |
| W. E. Averill, awning, | 2 00 |
| E. Worthington, recording By-Laws, | 4 00 |
| E. L. Burdakin, for assessors, | 15 00 |

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|---|---|
| Paid J. H. Daniels, horse hire, | $12 50 |
| H. R. Jenks, expense, | 15 |
| Crosby Steam Gauge Co., | 3 00 |
| A. M. Willard, ringing bell July 4, | 1 50 |
| T. L. Martin, services, | 6 50 |
| A. Connor, labor and expense, | 29 95 |
| O. A. Stanley, services on committee, | 13 50 |
| A. Haggert, ringing bell July 4, | 1 50 |
| P. Higgins, care of P. Healy, | 21 00 |
| John Lynch, " " | 13 20 |
| Davis Thayer, work in cemetery, | 9 00 |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts, | 1 40 |
| Geo. I. Partridge, posting notices, | 1 00 |
| S. Pierce, pens, | 70 |
| H. M. Meek, tally sheets, | 3 00 |
| L. J. Kelly, services at polls, | 2 50 |
| S. M. Spencer, stamp, | 1 80 |
| N. E. Darling, dinners, | 4 20 |
| Patrick Reynolds, labor, | 60 |
| O. F. Metcalf & Sons, for lockup, | 2 70 |
| Dr. Geo. King, return of births, | 2 25 |
| Geo. Chipman, for lockup, | 6 05 |
| A. C. Dana, merchandise, | 9 87 |
| C. E. Griffin, miscellaneous bill, | 33 21 |
| Dr. F. H. Jenckes, return of births, | 4 25 |
| H. E. Ruggles, ex. on pub. doc., | 4 80 |
| McPherson & Farrington, return of deaths, | 11 75 |
| Dr. G. A. Martin, return of births, | 7 50 |
| Henry Bemis, return of deaths, | 50 |
| J. B. Fitzpatrick, " " | 5 25 |
| Dr. Kate Sanborn, return of births, | 50 |
| H. E. Ruggles, recording and indexing, | 78 10 |
| F. W. Douglass, repairing window, | 2 00 |
| Total, | $493 10 |

## Military Aid.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Pliny A. Holbrook, | $240 00 |
| Marcus Gilmore, | 144 00 |
| T. J. Russell, | 66 00 |
| N. S. Grow, | 30 00 |
| Jeremiah Blake, | 72 00 |
| George H. Greenwood, | 54 00 |
| Alfred Fitzpatrick, | 40 00 |
| Seth A. Blake, | 72 00 |
| Benj. Bennett, | 84 00 |
| Total, | $802 00 |

## State Aid.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid Annie E. Taft, | 48 00 |
| D. O. Corbin, | 48 00 |
| B. Maun, | 48 00 |
| Nathaniel Ide, | 48 00 |
| William Field, | 36 00 |
| Richard King, | 48 00 |
| C. W. Thompson, | 37 00 |
| A. L. Jordan, | 36 00 |
| J. M. Burr, | 36 00 |
| M. Carr, | 48 00 |
| R. Newcomb, | 48 00 |
| F. V. Mann, | 60 00 |
| Julia Casey, | 48 00 |
| Mary A. Ford, | 44 00 |
| F. E. P. Coville, | 48 00 |
| Mary White, | 48 00 |
| N. S. Grow, | 21 00 |

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|---|---|
| Paid Samuel Jordan, | $18 00 |
| W. H. Miller, | 24 00 |
| Charlotte Miller, | 24 00 |
| George H. Greenwood, | 8 00 |
| Lydia E. Greenwood, | 4 00 |
| Clara D. Jordan, | 8 00 |
| Total, | $836 00 |

## Almshouse in Account with the Town.

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| To personal property, appraised January 31, 1890, | $2,272 38 | |
| Interest on cost of farm, | 180 00 | |
| Cash paid from treasury during the year, | 1,756 31 | |
| | | $4,208 69 |

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|---|---|---|
| By personal property, appraised January 31, 1891, | $2,065 20 | |
| Sale of produce from farm, | 777 18 | |
| | | 2,842 38 |
| Net cost at almshouse, | | $1,366 31 |
| Net cash expenses of outside poor, | | 2,787 36 |
| Total pauper expenses, | | $4,153 67 |

# Financial Condition of the Town.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Feb. 1, 1891. | Balance in treasury, | $3,788 46 |
| | Due from taxes of 1889, | 1,777 51 |
| | " " 1890, | 5,291 71 |
| | " Commonwealth: | |
| | for State aid, | 760 00 |
| | " " Military aid, | 373 00 |
| | " " State paupers, | 94 10 |
| | | $12,084 78 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Note to King David Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F., dated July 1, 1890, | 2,000 00 |
| Balance in favor of town, | $10,084 78 |

## Summary of Appropriations and Expenditures.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For support of Schools: | | |
| Appropriated, | $8,500 00 | |
| From balance in treasury, Feb. 1, '90, | 882 00 | |
| | | $9,382 00 |
| Books and Supplies, appropriated, | 700 00 | |
| from treasury, | 85 94 | |
| | | 785 94 |
| Repairs of School Buildings, | | 500 00 |
| Miscellaneous School Expenses. | 600 00 | |
| From treasury, | 43 45 | |
| | | 643 45 |
| Income from State School Fund, | | 203 73 |
| Dog licenses, | | 548 90 |
| Tuition, etc., | | 36 50 |
| | | $12,100 52 |
| Expended for Teachers' Salaries, | $8,407 30 | |
| Care of School rooms, | 574 45 | |
| Fuel, | 633 87 | |
| Books and Supplies, | 729 59 | |
| Repair of School Builings, | 388 08 | |
| Miscellaneous School Expenses, | 564 47 | |
| | | 11,297 76 |
| Unexpended, | | $802 76 |

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| Repairs of Roads, Bridges and Walks: | |
| Appropriated, | $5,000 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | 235 64 |
| Received for gravel, | 46 30 |
| | 5,281 94 |
| Expended, | 4,619 12 |
| Unexpended, | 662 82 |

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|---|---|---|
| Appropriated for Union, Pleasant and Cross Sts., | | $3,000 00 |
| Expended on Union street, | 1,169 87 | |
| " Pleasant street, | 2,476 66 | |
| | | 3,646 53 |
| Overdrawn, | | $646 53 |
| Support of Poor: | | |
| Appropriated, | $3,500 00 | |
| From balance in treasury, | 289 78 | |
| | | $3,789 78 |
| Receipts from State, towns and almshouse, | | 1,464 08 |
| | | 5,253 86 |
| Expended, | | 5,230 57 |
| Unexpended, | | 23 29 |
| Fire Department: | | |
| Appropriated, | | $2,800 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | | 9 00 |
| | | $2,809 00 |
| Expended, | | 2,283 87 |
| Unexpended, | | $525 13 |
| Street Lights: | | |
| Appropriated, | | $3,300 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | | 560 66 |
| | | $3,860 66 |
| Expended, | | 3,323 10 |
| Unexpended, | | $537 56 |
| Town Officers: | | |
| Appropriated, | | $1,800 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | | 179 75 |
| | | 1,979 75 |
| Expended, | | 1,698 50 |
| Unexpended, | | $281 25 |

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| Payments to Police and suppression illegal liquor traffic: | |
| Appropriated, | $1,500 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | 78 12 |
| | $1,578 12 |
| Expended, | 1,270 87 |
| Unexpended, | $307 25 |
| Printing and Stationery: | |
| Appropriated, | $300 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | 215 55 |
| | $515 55 |
| Expended, | 334 34 |
| Unexpended, | $181 21 |
| Interest: | |
| Appropriated, | $800 00 |
| Expended, | 672 42 |
| Unexpended, | $127 58 |
| Franklin Library Association: | |
| Appropriated, | $550 00 |
| Expended, | 550 00 |
| Military and State Aid: | |
| Appropriated, | $800 00 |
| Received from the State, | 1,029 50 |
| | $1,829 50 |
| Expended, | 1,638 00 |
| Unexpended, | $191 50 |
| Water Supply for Hydrants: | |
| Appropriated, | $3,600 00 |
| Expended, | 3,620 00 |
| Overdrawn, | $20 00 |

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| Miscellaneous Town Expenses: | |
| Appropriated, | $1,000 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | 90 27 |
| | $1,090 27 |
| Expended, | 493 10 |
| Unexpended, | $597 17 |
| Abatement and Collection of Taxes: | |
| Appropriated, | $1,000 00 |
| From balance in treasury, | 3 00 |
| | $1,003 00 |
| Expended, | 941 69 |
| Unexpended, | $61 31 |
| Post 60, G. A. R.: | |
| Appropriated, | $100 00 |
| Expended, | 100 00 |
| Improvement Society: | |
| Appropriated, | $100 00 |
| Expended, | 76 00 |
| Unexpended, | $24 00 |

## Auditor's Report.

I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the various officers of the town, and find them correct according to the foregoing detailed statement.

NELSON E. NEWELL, Auditor.

# Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, March 2, 1891.

NORFOLK, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,* GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of the town of Franklin, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the second day of March, A. D. 1891, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1.

To choose by ballot a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

ARTICLE 2.

To vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

ARTICLE 3.

To choose by ballot the following named town officers for the term of one year, viz: Three Selectmen, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Auditor, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of the Poor, a Collector of Taxes, three Constables, three members of the Board of Health, and two School Committee for three years.

ARTICLE 4.

To choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 5.

To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes the current year.

ARTICLE 6.

To hear a report of the town officers and act thereon.

ARTICLE 7.

To see what action the town will take relative to a pound.

ARTICLE 8.

To vote a suitable number of names of persons into the jury box for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year.

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town for the current year.

ARTICLE 11.

To see if the town will grant the use of the Town Hall to the Sons of Temperance the current year.

ARTICLE 12.

To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the the repairs of roads, bridges, and sidewalks; for the support of schools, repairs of school buildings, school books and supplies, and miscellaneous school expenses; for the support of the poor; for the support of the fire department; for water supply; payment of town officers; payment of interest; abatement and collection of taxes; street lights; printing and stationery; suppression of illegal liquor traffic; payment of police; State and military aid; support of the library of the Franklin Library Association; decoration of soldiers' graves; and miscellaneous town expenses.

ARTICLE 13.

To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 131 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 14.

To hear the report of the Committee appointed at the last annual town meeting under Article 21 of the warrant calling said meeting, and act or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way from Union street to West street, over what is known as Nason street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 16.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way from Dean street to Pleasant street near the Williams gravel pit, as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way from Cottage street westerly over what is known as Cottage street extension, as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 18.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way from Union street to Wachusett street, as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way northerly from Arlington street to the way mentioned in Article 18, as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 20.

To see if the town will accept the laying out of a town way from the westerly end of Cottage street extension to Washington street, as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 21.

To see if the town will raise and appropriate any money for the building of the aforesaid ways, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 22.

To see if the town will appropriate any and what sums of money to construct concrete sidewalks in town, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 23.

To see if the town will appropriate any money to repair the fence around the Town Hall lot, or do anything relating there to.

ARTICLE 24.

To see if the town will accept the widening of Depot street, as reported by the Selectmen, and appropriate money therefor.

The polls will be opened at eight o'clock a. m., and may be closed at twelve o'clock, noon.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Franklin, this nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1891.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART,
Selectmen of Franklin.

A true copy. Attest:

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of the Town of Franklin.

# Report of Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
Franklin, February, 1891.

The attention of parents and others is called to the subjoined report of Vital Statistics. Owing to lack of conformity to the law requiring returns to be made by parents, next of kin or householders, said vital statistics are obtained by the Town Clerk from the best information obtainable, and that often inaccurate.

The importance of accurate registration cannot be over-estimated. The decision of questions of legitimacy, of legal settlement in towns, and other contested points, may often depend upon the facts registered.

Especially is this true in authenticating the claims of soldiers or their families upon the government, and in securing the identification of their wives or relatives.

A few cases of hardship in this respect have come to my knowledge within the past year, and in each case the absence of facts desired was due to fault of parties themselves and not to lack of duty of former town clerks.

The Town Clerk would therefore call special attention to the Vital Statistics, and if errors are discovered would be pleased to correct the same.

All blanks necessary for making returns can be obtained of Town Clerk free.

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

# Vital Statistics.

## Births Registered in Franklin during 1890.

| Date. | | Name of Child. | Name of Parents. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. | 12 | Mary Anna Streauveur | Louis and Amelia |
| " | 13 | ——— Austin | William H. and Emma F. |
| " | 13 | Ada May Spence | Harry and Sara M. |
| " | 19 | Clarence Vernon Pierson | William M. and Hattie E. |
| Feb. | 1 | Horace Ellsworth Mann | Frederick E. and Jennie B. |
| " | 1 | Flora Elizabeth Clark | Joseph E. Jr., and Flora B. |
| " | 3 | Mary Ellen Shauenessy | Michael A. and Kate |
| " | 14 | Isaac O'Clair | Bernad and Millie |
| " | 16 | Evelyn Gladys Smith | John W. and Minnie L. |
| " | 20 | Albert Penniman Bishop | James W. and Martha L. |
| " | 23 | Annie Beatrice Linton | William and Matilda |
| " | 23 | Isabella Elizabeth Regan | Martin and Ellen L. |
| " | 25 | Hattie M. Snow | Walter A. and Melvina A. |
| " | 27 | Thomas Alex. O'Connell | Michael and Grace |
| March | 3 | Florence Kneelon | Thomas and Mary Ann |
| " | 3 | Eliza C. Kneelon | Thomas and Mary Ann |
| " | 10 | Alice Mary Coughlin | John B. and Mary A. |
| " | 12 | Josephine Degan | Edward P. and Mary L. |
| " | 14 | Emily Francis Clark | Frank W. and Adaliza |
| " | 16 | Malcolm Willis Sears | Orrin W. and Anna |
| " | 19 | James Johnson | John H. and Margaret J. |
| " | 19 | Ellen Elizabeth Clark | William E. and Sarah Jane |
| April | 3 | Ralph Turner Tracy | James M. and Hattie Mabel |
| " | 4 | ——— Smith | Mary I. Smith |
| " | 5 | ——— Hill | Alexander E. and Annie E. |
| " | 6 | George Augustus Gibson | George G. and Rosanna |
| " | 8 | ——— Titus | Joseph P. |
| " | 9 | Beatrice Spear | George W. and Emma C. |
| " | 19 | Mary Edna Feeley | Timothy E. and Lena |
| " | 19 | William Donald Soward | Celina Soward |
| " | 28 | Bertha Rosanna Henault | Philip and Rosanna |
| May | 2 | Ralph Taylor Whitney | John D. and Eldusty. |
| " | 9 | Catherine Cody | William H. and Catherine E. |
| " | 13 | James Magroary | Cornelius and Mary |
| " | 14 | Walter Henry Maroney | Stephen and Margaret |
| " | 15 | Charles Alfred Robinson | Squire and Maud F. |
| " | 19 | William Patrick Hines | John J. and Mary C. |
| " | 25 | ——— Hemingway | Willard H. and Charlotte |
| " | 26 | William Edmund Haggart | Alexander M. and Martha Jane |
| " | 28 | Luthera Estell McDowell | Henry S. and Mary C. |
| " | 30 | Robert Henry Henault | Clovis and Charlotte |
| " | 31 | Francis James Mahon | James and Annie B. |
| June | 1 | ——— Gilmore | Francis H. and Mary Ellen |
| " | 3 | Margaret Doherty | Philip P. and Margaret |
| " | 4 | Parmelia Laundry | John B. and Parmelia |
| " | 8 | Helen Ford Halloran | Timothy W. and Mary A. |

| Date | Name of Child. | Name of Parents |
|---|---|---|
| " 12 | Sarah Ellen Palmer | John Griffin and Abbie E. |
| " 15 | ——— Butman | Charles W. and Lucy E. |
| " 18 | Walter Everett Jennison | Frederick E. and Julia A. |
| " 23 | Chester Lewis Darling | Daniel A. and Susie J. |
| " 25 | Charles Henry Engwell | George H. and Alice |
| " 25 | John Leo Cataldo | Fiore and Lucia |
| " 26 | Charles Leon Alex. Flukiger | Albert Charles and Lillian S |
| " 29 | ——— Bennett | Emma J. |
| July 16 | Julia Etta McCabe | Bernard W. and Cora L. |
| " 24 | Lester Elliott Webber | John H. and Annie M. |
| " 25 | Joseph Tim Lombard | Joseph and Sarah |
| " 26 | William Andrew Trimble | Andrew and Isabelle |
| " 26 | Mary Ellen Powers | Morris W. and Bridget May |
| " 28 | Edwin Leonard | James F. and Mary |
| August 2 | George Gilligan | Daniel J. and Jane |
| " 5 | Beatrice Adams Griffin | Clarence E. and Addie A. |
| " 5 | Susan Josephine Malloy | John and Annie |
| " 6 | Lora Camille LaRoche | Alphonso and Delvena |
| " 8 | Florence Evelyn J. Proctor | Charles H. and Nettie M. |
| " 8 | James P. Morrisey | James A. and Margaret |
| " 13 | Ethel Bryson McDonald | Henry and Alice E. |
| " 17 | Maggie Magourty | Patrick and Mary Ellen |
| " 17 | Annie Francis Nixon | George N. and Elizabeth |
| " 19 | ——— Chet | Peter |
| " 19 | Vera Winifred Cook | William R. and Bertha V. |
| " 20 | Frank Leslie McCarthy | John B. and Mary E. |
| " 24 | Walter Edward Thayer | Elmer J. and Rosa R. |
| " 24 | ——— Kennedy | John and Ellen |
| " 24 | Frank Edward Morell | Reymond and Victoria M. |
| " 27 | Earl Dale Harris | John E. and Mabel A. |
| " 30 | Leo Claisse | Justin and Lucille |
| Sept. 2 | Herbert Andrew Snow | George A. and Matilda |
| " 9 | Mildred Etta Richards | George E. and Lizzie C. |
| " 10 | Augustus Tarnason | Augustus and Lucy |
| " 17 | Francis Edward Perrin | Oliver L. and Lena E. |
| " 19 | Sylvia Louise Putman | Edwin A. and Addie E. |
| " 24 | Jessie May McFaden | Melvin W. and Nettie J. |
| " 24 | Jeremiah McCarthy | Jeremiah J. and Jennie J. |
| " 24 | Chester Cox | Harry T. and Mary |
| " 26 | Annie Sullivan Holmes | Urban and Mary E. |
| " 29 | John Henry Long | Dennis and Emily |
| Oct. 3 | Mamie Dorcateer Anderson | William G. and Caroline |
| " 3 | William Adelbert Wales | Adelbert and Lizzie M. |
| " 4 | Albert Edward Padley | Raymond L. and Mary I. |
| " 8 | Ethel Louis Avery | George A. and Alice B. |
| " 12 | Beatrice Evangeline Nash | Alfred H. and Minnie E. |
| " 14 | Laura Baker Kimball | Henry B. and Minnie A. |
| " 20 | Ann Gilleney | James and Mary A. |
| " 21 | Jacob Wingerskay | Abraham and Dora |

| Date. | Name of Child. | Name of Parents. |
|---|---|---|
| " 22 | Rosanna Beaudrey | Rosanna |
| " 23 | Grace Rockwood Daniels | Walter E. and Annie M. |
| Nov. 5 | ———Connors | Jeremiah and Johannah |
| " 13 | John Henry McHugh | Patrick and Bridget |
| " 17 | Joseph Leo Coughlin | John F. and Mary A. |
| " 20 | Ralph Lesure Jewett | Kerwin and Ellen Adeliza |
| " 21 | Ralph Chester Peden | John and Elizabeth |
| " 26 | ——— O'Connor | Dennis and Bridget |
| " 27 | Gladys Barton Bassett | Joseph P. and Mary Virginia |
| " 28 | Mary Terressa O'Donnell | John and Mary |
| " 28 | William McMann | Peter and Mary |
| " 28 | Adeleaw Walter Laird | Charles M. and Mary |
| " 29 | Eddie Curran | James and Bridget |
| Dec. 1 | Alfred Ernest Snow | Frank and Eliza |
| " 2 | John Conroy | Mathew F. and Mary E. |
| " 5 | Mary Emma Morris | Joseph and Catherine |
| " 9 | John Pieri | Lewis and Donier |
| " 9 | Frank Clifton Spurr | William S. and Nellie E. |
| " 11 | Edward Bassett | John and Ellen |
| " 13 | Alice Mabel Abbott | Edward C. and Alice N. |
| " 19 | Earl Ralph Nones | Pedro R. and Nettie |
| " 19 | Margaret Terrassa Sullivan | John C. and Katie V. |
| 1889 | | |
| July 26 | Margaret O'Connor | Dennis and Bridget |
| June 15 | Bertha Elizabeth Daniels | Nathan A. and Emma M. |
| 1869. | | |
| Sept. 17 | Ermine A. McDowell | Thomas and Rebecca |

## Marriages Recorded in Franklin during 1890.

| Date. | Name. | Residence. | Age. | By Whom Married |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. 1 | Lewis Wm. Kreinsen | Holliston | 21 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Alice A. Gordon | Franklin | 21 | |
| " 8 | Newton Benedict | Franklin | 49 | Rev. Wm. Thayer |
| | Emeline King | " | 25 | |
| " 24 | Dennis Long | Franklin | 38 | Rev. S. W. Squire |
| | Emma Fisher | " | 29 | |
| " 27 | Frank Brown | Franklin | 21 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Delia M. Hall | " | 21 | |
| Feb. 12 | Frank L. Gerstle | Franklin | 22 | Rev. G. E. Lovejoy |
| | Jennie L. Darling | " | 21 | |
| " 12 | George H. Sherman | Milford | 21 | Rev. G. E. Lovejoy |
| | Luella S. Metcalf | Wrentham | 19 | |
| " 26 | James H. Knapp | Franklin | 32 | Rev. James Bixler |
| | Lucy J. Brackett | Lancaster, N. H | 34 | |
| Mar. 24 | William Connan | Blackstone | 20 | Rev. R. H. Howard |
| | Isabell Ewen | Franklin | 20 | |
| " 25 | Arthur D. McNutt | Franklin | 21 | Rev. G. E. Nichols |
| | Lucy A. Burk | Bellingham | 20 | |
| " 30 | Albert Flukiger | Franklin | 28 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Sarah L. Dwinell | " | 26 | |
| May 11 | Edmund A. Curry | Franklin | 20 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Mary Savoy | Bellingham | 20 | |
| " 15 | Benj. A. Ellsworth | Wentworth, NH | 25 | Rev. C. S. Lock |
| | NellieM. Hollinsworth | Dedham | 19 | |
| June 15 | Michael H. Bowen | Boston | 28 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Mary E. Tourtellotte | Franklin | 26 | |
| " 15 | William Donahue | Franklin | 27 | Rev. F. Gouerse |
| | Mary Mehan | Norfolk | 20 | |
| " 18 | Fred P. Chapman | Franklin | 25 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Clara M. Craig | " | 25 | |
| " 30 | Harry S. Corson | Franklin | 22 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Minnie Hellen Moore | " | 24 | |
| July 2 | John M. Hood | Franklin | 21 | Rev. Edward Mills |
| | Emma J. Curry | " | 22 | |

| Date. | Name. | Residence. | Age. | By Whom Married |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| July 13 | John Edward Gilroy | Franklin | 24 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Ellen Theresa Gordon | " | 23 | |
| Aug. 2 | David Knox Hunter | Medway | 21 | Rev. Edward Mills |
| | Ida G. McDowell | Franklin | 22 | |
| " 11 | John R. Carpenter | Boston | 36 | Rev. J. J. Toolly |
| | Mary Elizabeth Blake | Franklin | 41 | |
| " 20 | Henry J. Goodro | Worcester | 25 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Mary A. Howe | Franklin | 24 | |
| " 20 | William PierceMetcalf | Franklin | 28 | Rev. Edward Mills |
| | Emily Jane Diamond | " | 24 | |
| Oct. 1 | Austin B. Chilson | Franklin | 28 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Carrie Louise Grant | W. Wrentham | 25 | |
| " 1 | Walter C. Sherman | Franklin | 22 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Belle Bartholomew | " | 19 | |
| " 8 | Jacob O. Quilter | Franklin | 32 | Rev. W. M. Thayer |
| | Clara E. Fulton | " | 24 | |
| " 16 | Albert E. Peck | Franklin | 25 | Rev. E. P. Little |
| | Kittie F. Nichols | HorseHead,NY | 23 | |
| " 19 | Timothy Murphy | Franklin | 25 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Hannah Burke | " | 30 | |
| " 20 | Simeon Edward Burke | Boston | 26 | Rev. T. B. Louney |
| | Maggie Mahon | Franklin | 26 | |
| " 22 | Charles L. Ford | Bellingham | 32 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Celia A. Mann | Franklin | 24 | |
| Nov. 2 | Ephraim M. Knapp | Attleboro | 23 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Cora T. Malon | " | 22 | |
| " 10 | Samuel C. Bourne | Franklin | 50 | Rev. G. E. Lovejoy |
| | Addie D. Thurston | " | 37 | |
| " 20 | Joseph E. Duprez | Franklin | 29 | Rev. T. F. Waters |
| | Alice A. Smith | Ipswich | 31 | |
| " 24 | William Teller | Franklin | 20 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Delia LaClair | " | 18 | |
| " 24 | Patrick Kennedy | Franklin | 26 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Julia Mehan | " | 20 | |

| Date. | Name. | Residence. | Age. | By Whom Married |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nov. 26 | Henry A. Plimpton | Franklin | 60 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Elizabeth Ormsby | " | 36 | |
| " 26 | Julius Cross | Franklin | 35 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Emma F. Sullivan | " | 28 | |
| " 27 | George W. Green | Franklin | 21 | Rev. J. M. Mulcahy |
| | Jennie L. McKenna | " | 23 | |
| " 28 | Orlando S. Stetson | Franklin | 58 | Rev. W. C. Selleck |
| | Emma Furze | " | 28 | |
| Dec. 25 | Julius P. Rockwood | Franklin | 24 | Rev. G. E. Lovejoy |
| | Harriet A. Harwood | Framingham | 21 | |
| 1868 | | | | |
| Nov. 3 | Thomas McDowell | Franklin | 24 | Rev. S. L. Holman |
| | Rebecca Milan | Woonsocket | 23 | |

# Deaths Recorded in Franklin during 1890.

| Date | Names of Persons. | Cause of Death. | Age. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Y. | M. | D. |
| January 10 | Sarah A. McCarthy | Obst'n of bowels, peritonitis | 29 | — | — |
| " 11 | Catharine Granger | Heart disease | 70 | — | — |
| " 13 | ——— Austin | Still born | — | — | — |
| " 24 | Lavina M. Thayer | Pleuro Pneumonia | 60 | 11 | — |
| " 25 | Olive Grow | Pneumonia | 56 | — | 18 |
| February 5 | Minnie A. Clark | Pneumonia | 33 | 6 | 21 |
| " 12 | Joseph M. Whiting | Congestion of lungs | 77 | 11 | 18 |
| " 18 | Marie Exina B. Potvin | Pneumonia | — | 3 | 29 |
| " 22 | Laura A Ellis | Paralysis | 64 | 4 | — |
| " 22 | Louise Lizatte | Old age | 83 | — | — |
| " 25 | Stanley H. Fernald | Whooping cough | 1 | 3 | 28 |
| " 27 | Peter Adams | Pneumonia | 78 | 10 | 24 |
| " 28 | Marie Albena B. Potvin | Whooping cough | — | 4 | 9 |
| March 4 | Walter L. Fales | Cerebal Hemorrhage | 18 | 5 | 5 |
| " 5 | William E. Hutchinson | Meningitis | — | 4 | 4 |
| " 7 | James A. Crowningshield | Heart failure | 72 | 8 | 16 |
| " 9 | Mary L. Vaughn | Cancer | 34 | 1 | 21 |
| " 12 | Michael Curran | Acute meningitis | 2 | 4 | — |
| " 15 | Grace O'Connell | Diarrhœa | 39 | 6 | — |
| " 18 | Jennie E. Hutchinson | Phthisis | 22 | 8 | 20 |
| " 25 | Ernest V. Swanson | Spinal disease | 10 | 2 | 17 |
| April 3 | James Colins | Cerrhosis of liver | 72 | — | — |
| " 3 | Mary F. Banks | Paralysis | 61 | 3 | — |
| " 5 | ——— Hill | Premature birth | — | — | 1 |
| " 7 | Bertram E Kingsbury | Bronchitis | — | 11 | 15 |
| " 11 | Mary Fortier | Cyranosis | — | — | 1 |
| " 12 | Henry C. Allen | Intemperance and neglect | 56 | — | — |
| " 23 | Eugene McCarthy, Jr. | Consumption | 27 | 2 | — |
| " 29 | Blanch Ford | Bronchitis | — | 11 | — |
| May 4 | Charles F. Lennon | Phthisis | 21 | 9 | 19 |
| " 5 | Georgiana C. Jackson | Whooping cough | 6 | 5 | 18 |
| " 5 | Mary C. Parker | Heart disease | 71 | 4 | 7 |
| " 10 | Simeon P. Cheney | Pneumonia | 72 | — | — |
| " 12 | Pauline W. Adams | Apoplexy | 62 | — | 11 |
| " 16 | Agnes Kelley | Lung fever | 1 | — | 7 |
| " 18 | William H. Cody | Hepatitis | 36 | 8 | 14 |
| " 20 | Era Ann Lowe | Marasmus | — | 9 | 3 |
| " 23 | Thomas A O'Connor | Pneumonia | — | 3 | — |
| " 24 | George E. Hopkins | Heart disease | 78 | — | — |
| " 26 | Hemingway | Premature birth | — | — | 1 |
| " 28 | Walter R. Thayer | Diphtheritic Laryngitis | 8 | 2 | 20 |
| " 31 | James M. Maroney | Alcoholism | 19 | 8 | — |
| June 3 | Margaret Doherty | Premature birth | — | | 3 |
| " 16 | Willis B. Metcalf | Endocarditis | 21 | — | — |
| " 19 | Henry B. Whiting | Anæmia | 62 | — | — |
| " 25 | Adin B. Paine | Chronic Mania | 66 | — | — |
| " 29 | Minnie B. Fortier | Rheumatism | 20 | 5 | — |
| July 17 | Eliza J. Horton | Phthisis | 29 | 1 | 13 |
| " 25 | Mary McFarland | Rheumatic endocarditis | 35 | 4 | 25 |
| " 29 | William Henry Baker | Cholera infantum | — | 9 | 17 |
| " 31 | Oren W. Adams | Old age | 79 | — | — |
| August 1 | Eddie A. Jordan | Caranoma of lung | 15 | 2 | 13 |
| " 2 | Daniel J Gilligan | Cholera infantum | 1 | 2 | — |
| " 4 | James McGroary | Hydrocephelus | — | 3 | — |
| " 7 | Gibbon English | Dysentery | 55 | — | — |
| " 9 | Mary George | Cholera infantum | — | 11 | — |
| " 9 | Grace L. Dow | Heart disease | 28 | 1 | 6 |
| " 11 | William Field | Stricture | 89 | 9 | 15 |
| September 1 | Mary Darling | Pernicious Æenemia | 58 | 9 | 16 |
| " 2 | Olive J. Dorr | Softening of brain | 78 | 9 | 20 |
| " 3 | John Halloran | Meningitis | 33 | 10 | — |
| " 8 | Edward S. Woodbury | Heart failure | 80 | 4 | — |
| " 14 | Olive H. Knowlton | Paralysis | 68 | 8 | 19 |
| " 19 | John Regan | Exhaustion | 55 | — | — |
| " 30 | Jeremiah Callahan | | 56 | — | — |

| Date. | Names of Persons. | Cause of Death. | Age. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Y. | M. | D. |
| October 2 | Agustus Tarnason, Jr | Acute hydrocepeelus | — | — | 23 |
| " 2 | Charlotte Daniels | Schirras stomach | 62 | 11 | 13 |
| " 7 | Mary A. Gay | Phthisis | 80 | 5 | 13 |
| " 14 | Hattie M. Snow | Marasmus | — | 7 | 19 |
| " 22 | Earle Dale Harris | Meningitis | — | 2 | — |
| November 4 | Walter E. Thayer | Marasmus | — | 2 | 12 |
| " 5 | —— Connors | Stillborn | — | — | — |
| " 7 | Harvey Cargill | Ezema Inveterata Consum'n | 68 | 7 | — |
| " 13 | Stephen W. Richardson | Apoplexy | 77 | 7 | 13 |
| " 14 | Albert L. Jordan | Heart failure | 53 | — | 4 |
| " 16 | Lizzie P. Pierson | Cancer | 39 | 2 | 23 |
| " 20 | Mary Tobin | Apoplexy | 83 | — | — |
| " 21 | Joseph H. Wadsworth | Heart disease | 64 | 5 | 23 |
| " 26 | William Malloy | Gastric ulcer | 59 | 1 | 6 |
| " 30 | Michael Savage | Phthisis | 42 | — | — |
| December 2 | Sylvia Heaton | Phthisis | 35 | — | — |
| " 9 | Mabel F. Miller | Congestion of brain | 12 | 6 | 25 |
| " 10 | Francis M. Bartholomew | Phthisis | 55 | — | 7 |
| " 12 | Frank Clinton Spurr | Atelectasis | — | — | 3 |
| " 28 | Joseph H. Garland | Apoplexy | 70 | 10 | 26 |
| " 29 | Austin Fletcher Benson | Chronic pneumonitis | 21 | 3 | 25 |

Males, 48; females, 38; total, 86.

# FRANKLIN TOWN RECORDS,

FOR THE YEAR 1890.

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 3, 1890.

NORFOLK, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin in said County,* GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the third day of March, next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose, by ballot, a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

ART. 3. To choose, by ballot, the following named town officers for the year ensuing, viz: Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Auditor, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Collector of Taxes, Constables, Fence Viewers, Board of Health, also two School Committee for three years, and choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ART. 4. To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes the current year.

ART. 5. To hear a report of the Selectmen, and other town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 6. To hear a report of the Engineers of the Fire Department and act thereon, and determine the compensation of the members thereof.

ART. 7. To hear and act upon the report of the committee to see what changes are necessary in our By-Laws.

ART. 8. To see what action the town will take relative to a pound.

ART. 9. To vote the names of a suitable number of persons into the Jury box for the current year.

ART. 10. To see if the town will authorize their Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 11. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress

the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin for the year ensuing.

ART. 12. To see if the town will grant the use of the Town Hall each Thursday evening for the current year to the Sons of Temperance.

ART. 13. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to purchase of Daniel C. Cotton a piece of land situated at the end of Cotton's Block, so called, or act or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the School Committee to employ a Superintendent of Schools or to unite with some other town in the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, according to Chapter 431, Acts and Resolves of 1888, or act or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 15. To see what action the town will take to supply needed accommodation for the High School, either by building a new school house or otherwise, or act or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to name the street running from Central street past the residence of H. M. Bullock, Ruggles street.

ART. 17. To see if the town will grant a sum of money for the use of the Franklin Improvement Society.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take relative to a lock-up, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ART. 19. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks; support of schools; repairs of school buildings; school books and school supplies; miscellaneous school expenses; support of poor; fire department; water supply; payment of town officers; payment of interest; abatement and collection of taxes; maintaining street lights; printing and stationery; suppression of illegal liquor traffic and payment of police; state and military aid; support of Franklin Library Association; decoration of soldiers' graves; miscellaneous town expenses; for reconstructing Cross street, Union street and Pleasant street as ordered by the County Commissioners.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

HENRY R. JENKS,
GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. February 21, A. D. 1890.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the third day of March, 1890, for the purpose within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices of the town of Franklin and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of the Town of Franklin.

A true copy of the warrant and officer's return thereon.

Attest: CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

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## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

### MARCH 3, 1890.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the town of Franklin met in their Town Hall, on the third day of March, A. D. 1890, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded as follows:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant. Prayer was then offered by Rev. William M. Thayer.

#### MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. The meeting then made choice, by ballot, the check list being used, of William F. Ray for Moderator, and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

#### TOWN OFFICERS.

Voted, that ballots be cast under Articles 2 and 3 at the same time.

The Moderator appointed Henry R. Jenks, Jeremiah J. McCarthy, George W. Wiggin and Bradley M. Rockwood as tellers, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, that we elect a board of Selectmen to consist of three.

Motion made and seconded and put to the meeting, that the

foregoing vote be reconsidered. The vote being taken it was declared not carried.

Voted to keep open the polls until three o'clock p. m.

Voted, that when we adjourn, we adjourn to one week from next Saturday at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to draw orders for the payment of current expenses of town from the unexpended balance in the treasury until the adjourned town meeting.

At eight o'clock and forty minutes in the forenoon the polls were declared open for the reception of votes for the various town officers, and for the reception of the votes in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

After due notice had been given, the polls were declared closed by the Moderator at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Moderator and the Town Clerk, with the assistance of the tellers appointed, then proceeded to count the votes given in.

The meeting made choice by ballot of the following named town officers, the check list being used:

SELECTMEN.

George W. Wiggin, Jeremiah J. McCarthy and Charles Stewart.

TOWN CLERK.

Henry E. Ruggles.

TREASURER.

Henry R. Jenks.

ASSESSORS.

Asa A. Fletcher, Eugene N. Thain, William E. Nason.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

George E. Emerson, Warren H. Bright, C. Milton Allen.

AUDITOR.

Nelson E. Newell.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

William Rockwood.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

George King, Mary A. Wiggin.

CONSTABLES.

Lewis R. Whitaker, William E. Nason, Silas W. Nickerson.

William E. Nason and Silas W. Nickerson were sworn by the Moderator.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

George King, Willliam E. Nason, Walter M. Fisher.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Joseph W. Heaton, Jeremiah Desmond, Stephen C. Taft.

The following town officers were nominated and elected by open vote:

FIELD DRIVERS.

James H. Knapp, Alden T. Mann, James H. Miller.

KEEPER OF POUND.

George B. Peck.

ART. 14. On the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" One hundred and fifty-three (153) voted "Yes," and one hundred and ninety-one (191) voted "No."

Voted, that a committee of fifteen be appointed by the Moderator, who shall take into consideration the remaining articles of the warrant and report at adjourned town meeting.

The Moderator appointed as that committee the following:

George W. Wiggin, Aaron H. Morse, Homer V. Snow, Jesse B. Hopkins, Jeremiah J. McCarthy, Alfred G. Metcalf, Mathew F. Conroy, Charles Stewart, Asa A. Fletcher, James P. Ray, Charles J. McKenzie, John B. Dunn, Joseph W. Heaton, Walter M. Fisher, Alba P. Smith.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest:

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

The following is a copy of certificate filed in Town Clerk's office:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss. Franklin, March 3, 1890.

I hereby certify that Henry E. Ruggles this day appeared before me and I administered to him the oath of office as Town Clerk of Franklin.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
Justice of the Peace.

A true copy. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

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## PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 15, 1890.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, William F. Ray, at 2 o'clock.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

The committee of fifteen appointed at annual town meeting made report by George W. Wiggin, Chairman. Report accepted. Report on file.

### COLLECTION OF TAXES.

ART. 4. Voted, that the compensation of the Tax Collector be 1 per cent., and that the Collector have the same power as the Treasurer in these matters.

### REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

ART. 5. The reports of the various town officers as printed were accepted and adopted.

### REPORTS OF ENGINEERS.

ART. 6. Voted, that the report as printed in report of town officers be accepted and adopted.

Voted, that the compensation of the members of Fire Department be the same as last year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

ART. 7. The committee appointed March 16, 1889, to see what changes are necessary in our By-Laws made the following report:

TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN, MASS:

Your committee appointed to see what changes are necessary in our By-Laws report as follows, viz:

We recommend the following section to be added to Article I, viz:

No warrant calling a town meeting shall be dismissed until a vote has been taken upon each article of the warrant.

The following section to Article III., viz:

The Selectmen may authorize the Treasurer to pay the current expenses of the town from the unexpended balance in the treasury during the time intervening between the end of the fiscal year and the time of making the yearly appropriations.

We recommend that the article on truancy be amended so as to read as follows, viz:

Habitual truants, and children wandering about the streets, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, between the ages of seven and fifteen years, may, at the discretion of the Trial Justice or Court having jurisdiction of the case be committed to the Truant School provided by the County Commissioners of Norfolk County for a term not exceeding two years, and said Truant School is made the place of detention for such truants.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
HENRY E. RUGGLES,
CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Committee on By-Laws.

Franklin, Mass., March 15, 1890.

Voted, that the report of Committee be accepted and recommendations adopted.

POUND.

ART. 8. Voted, that the yard at the almshouse be the pound for the current year.

JURY LIST.

ART. 9. Voted, that the following list of names be placed in the jury box for the current year:

Cyrus M. Allen,
Nathan B. Arnold,
George E. Bacon,
Warren H. Bright,
Charles M. Butman,
Sanford T. Capron,
Elisha P. Chapman,
Alfred Clark,
Michael Cleary,
Daniel O. Corbin,
William A. Cotton,
Walter E. Crowningshield,
Thomas J. Daniels,
James W. Desmond,
Alanson H. Dodge,
George B. Dorr,
Charles L. Fales,
Walter M. Fisher,
James Galvin,
Charles Gowen,
George W. Bacon,
William S. Clark,
Albert H. Hill,
William A. Hopkins,
Sabin Hubbard,
Joseph T. Hutchinson,
Henry R. Jenks,
Charles E. Johnson,
Alden T. Mann,
Michael McCarthy,
Nathan C. Nye,
Wilton A. Pond,
James O. Riley,
Fremont M. Richardson,
John W. Richardson,
Edmund J. Rockwood,
William Rockwood,
Calvin M. Smith,
Thomas Spence,
Roswell K. Stevens,
Albert F. Staples,
Jason Tower,
Thaddeus M. Turner,
Amos P. Woodward,
William E. Crowningshield,
Daniel W. Halloran,
Joseph H. Wadsworth.

BORROWING MONEY.

ART. 10. Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, under the direction of the Selectmen, and that the same be repaid from the taxes to be collected the current year.

SUPPRESSION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

ART. 11. Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin for the year ensuing.

USE OF TOWN HALL.

ART. 12. Voted, that the use of the Town Hall be granted to the Sons of Temperance each Thursday evening for the current year.

LAND OF DANIEL C. COTTON.

ART. 13. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be left with the Selectmen.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

ART. 14. Motion made and seconded that the Town of Franklin unite with the towns of Walpole, Norwood and Medway, or either of them, for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of Schools.

Voted, that the matter be indefinitely postponed.

APPROPRIATIONS.

ART. 19. Voted, that the sum of $4500 be appropriated for the repairs of roads and bridges, $500 of which shall be expended on Union street between Nason street and the Catholic church, and $300 to be expended on Beaver street between the cemetery and the Catholic church.

Voted, that the sum of three thousand dollars ($3000) be appropriated for reconstructing Cross street, Union street and Pleasant street as ordered by the County Commissioners, and that the same be taken from the unappropriated funds in the treasury and uncollected taxes of 1888 and 1889, and that the matter of reconstruction be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Voted, that the sum of one thousand dollars ($1000) be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the treasury and from the uncollected taxes of 1888 and 1889, for miscellaneous expenses.

Voted, that the sum of three thousand three hundred dollars [$3300] be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the treasury and uncollected taxes of 1888 and 1889, for maintaining street lights, provided that the Union Electric Light Company furnishes the town with three more arc lights.

Voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money in addition to the sums already voted, for the following purposes, viz:

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| Support of Schools, eight thousand five hundred dollars, | $8500 00 |
| Repairs of School-houses, five hundred dollars, | 500 00 |

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| School Books and School Supplies, seven hundred dollars, | $700 00 |
| Miscellaneous School Expenses, six hundred dollars, | 600 00 |
| Fire Department, two thousand five hundred dollars, | 2500 00 |
| Purchase of Hose, three hundred dollars, | 300 00 |
| Water supply for Hydrants, three thousand six hundred dollars, | 3600 00 |
| Town Officers, one thousand eight hundred dollars, | 1800 00 |
| Interest account, eight hundred dollars, | 800 00 |
| Abatement and Collection of Taxes, one thousand dollars, | 1000 00 |
| Payment of Police and Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, one thousand five hundred dollars, | 1500 00 |
| Printing and Stationery, three hundred dollars, | 300 00 |
| Payment of Soldiers' Aid, eight hundred dollars, | 800 00 |
| Franklin Library Association, five hundred and fifty dollars. | 550 00 |
| Post 60, G. A. R., Memorial Day, one hundred dollars, | 100 00 |
| Support of Poor, three thousand five hundred dollars, | 3500 00 |
| Repairs and Construction of Walks, five hundred dollars, | 500 00 |

FRANKLIN IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

ART. 17. Voted, that the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) be granted for the use of the Franklin Improvement Society.

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

ART. 15. Voted, that it is the sense of this meeting that we build a new High School building.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint a committee of fifteen, of whom the School Committee shall be six, to take into consideration the subject matter of this article and report at some future town meeting.

Voted, that this committee select a site for a new High School building.

The Moderator appointed the following gentlemen as that committee in addition to the School Committee: Homer V. Snow, Aaron H. Morse, Henry R. Jenks, Michael McCarthy,

O. A. Stanley, J. Cushing Gallison, James O. Chilson, Henry E. Ruggles, Warren H. Bright.

RUGGLES STREET.

ART. 16. Voted to name the street running from Central street past the residence of H. M. Bullock, Ruggles street.

LOCK-UP.

ART. 18. Voted, that the sum of three hundred dollars [$300] be raised and appropriated to construct a new lock-up and that the matter be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

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Franklin, Mass., May 23, 1890.

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereby appoint Bradley M. Rockwood of said Franklin to be a Registrar of Voters in and for said town for the term of three years from the first day of May A. D. 1890, and until another is appointed in his place.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
CHARLES STEWART,
JEREMIAH McCARTHY,
Selectmen.

I, Bradley M. Rockwood, having been appointed a Registrar of Voters for the Town of Franklin, Mass., for the term ending May 1, 1893, do swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of said office.

BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss. Sept. 30, 1890.

Then personally appeared the above named Bradley M. Rockwood and made oath that he would faithfully discharge the duties incumbent upon him as Registrar of Voters.

Before me, HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Justice of the Peace.

A true record. Attest: HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

# TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

*To any Constable of the Town of Franklin in said County,*

GREETING:

You are hereby directed, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Franklin, qualified to vote for State officers, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot, for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney-General and Secretary of said Commonwealth, a Representative in the Congress of the United States for the Ninth Congressional District, a Councillor for the Second Councillor District, a District Attorney for the Southeastern District to fill a vacancy for the remainder of the term of three years from the first Wednesday in January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety, a County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk, a Senator for the Second Norfolk Senatorial District, and two Representatives to the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk Representative District.

And also to give in their votes for or against one or both of the following Articles of Amendment to the Constitution, to wit: No person otherwise qualified to vote in elections for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Representatives, shall by reason of a change of residence within the Commonwealth be disqualified from voting for said officers in the city or town from which he has removed his residence until the expiration of six calendar months from the time of such removal.

ARTICLE XXVIII. No person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and having been honorably discharged from such service, shall be disqualified therefor on account of receiving or having received aid from any city or town or because of non-payment of poll tax.

The polls may be closed as early as eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, unto the Selectmen, on or before the said day and hour.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. October 27, A. D. 1890.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1890, for the purpose within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices of the town of Franklin and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of the warrant and officer's return thereon.

Attest: HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

## PROCEEDINGS OF NOVEMBER ELECTION.

NOVEMBER 4, 1890.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Franklin, qualified to vote for State officers, met in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, and were called to order by George W. Wiggin, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

The Inspectors, Herbert W. Nye and James W. Desmond, and the Deputy Inspectors, Fred P. Chapman and Charles P. Gladding, were sworn, by the Town Clerk, to the faithful discharge of their duties.

The Town Clerk then delivered to the Board of Selectmen, one of the packages containing the official ballots to be used, and cards of instruction and specimen ballots, and received from them the following receipt, viz:

FRANKLIN, Mass., Nov. 4, 1890.

Received of Henry E. Ruggles, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., a package said to contain nine hundred (900) official ballots, together with specimen ballots and cards of instruction.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
CHARLES STEWART,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

In accordance with the law the Selectmen had caused to be set up twelve booths for the use of the voters in marking their ballots and had erected a guard rail six feet or more from said booths.

The ballot box to be used at the election was then opened in the public meeting and shown to the public to be empty, and was examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk and found to be empty.

The register of said ballot box was then set at 000, and said ballot box locked and the keys thereof given to the Police Officer, J. B. Fitzpatrick.

The package of ballots was then opened and the official ballots passed to the Inspectors who had previously received a duplicate check list.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots were at once posted within the polling booths and outside the guard rail according to law.

Voting commenced at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon.

Voted that the polls be kept open until 3 o'clock and that they be closed at that time.

The Selectmen appointed as tellers to assist in counting the ballots, Bradley M. Rockwood and Charles P. Gladding, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk to the faithful discharge of their duties.

The ballot box and check list were in charge of the Selectmen who had charge of the election.

The Inspectors and Deputy Inspectors performed their several duties in accordance with the laws in such case made and provided.

In voting the check list was used and no person was allowed to deposit his vote until his name was found on the list and checked.

At one o'clock, by unanimous consent of the election officers the ballot box was opened and the ballots taken therefrom and counted.

Due notice having been given the polls were, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, declared to be closed.

At the close of the polls the register stood at 654.

The names of those on the check lists which had been checked were then audibly counted and found to be 635.

The Selectmen, Town Clerk and tellers then proceeded to canvas the votes given in and the whole number was six hundred and fifty-five (655) which were counted and recorded and declaration made thereof in open town meeting as follows, viz :

For Governor of the Commonwealth :

The whole number of votes was six hundred and thirty-seven—637.

John Blackmer, of Springfield, had sixty-five votes—65.

John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington, had three hundred and eleven votes—311.

William E. Russell, of Cambridge, had two hundred and sixty-one votes—261.

For Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth :

The whole number of votes was six hundred and thirty-five —635.

John W. Corcoran, of Clinton, had two hundred and fifty-eight votes—258.

William H. Haile, of Springfield, had three hundred and twenty-seven votes—327.

George Kempton, of Sharon, had fifty votes—50.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth :

The whole number of votes was six hundred and twenty-three—623.

George D. Crittenden, of Buckland, had fifty-seven votes—57.

Elbridge Cushman, of Lakeville, had two hundred and fifty-five votes—255.

William M. Olin, of Boston, had three hundred and eleven votes—311.

For Treasurer and Receiver General of the Commonwealth :

The whole number of votes was six hundred and eighteen—618.

William H. Gleason, of Boston, had fifty-seven votes—57.

George A. Marden, of Lowell, had three hundred and sixteen votes—316.

Edwin L. Munn, of Holyoke, had two hundred and forty-five votes—245.

For Auditor of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of votes was five hundred and fifty-nine —559.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield, had two hundred and forty-six votes—246.

Augustus R. Smith, of Lee, had sixty-four votes—64.

William D. T. Trefry, of Marblehead, had two hundred and forty-nine votes—249.

For Attorney General of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of votes was six hundred and fifteen—615.

Wolcott Hamlin, of Amherst, had fifty-five votes—55.

Elisha B. Maynard, of Springfield, had two hundred and forty-six votes—246.

Albert E. Pillsbury, of Boston, had three hundred and fourteen votes—314.

For Representatives in the Congress of the United States for the Ninth Congressional District, the whole number was six hundred and thirty-five—635.

John W. Candler, of Brookline, had three hundred and forty-four votes—344.

Melvin H. Walker, of Westborough, had forty-one votes—41.

George Fred Williams, of Dedham, had two hundred and fifty votes—250.

For Councilor for the Second Councilor District:

The whole number of votes was six hundred and two—602.

Charles T. Duncklee, of Brookline, had two hundred and forty-six votes—246.

Charles L. Smith, of Norwood, had fifty votes—50.

Arthur W. Tufts, of Boston, had three hundred and six votes—306.

For County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk:

The whole number of votes was six hundred and eleven—611.

Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole, had fifty-one votes—51.

William H. White, of Brookline, had two hundred and forty-two votes—242.

George W. Wiggin, of Franklin, had three hundred and eighteen votes—318.

For District Attorney for the Southeastern District:

The whole number of votes was five hundred and seventy-two—572.

Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington, had two hundred and seventy-four votes—274.

Alonzo B. Wenthworth, of Dedham, had two hundred and ninety-eight votes—298.

For Senator for the Second Norfolk Senatorial District:

The whole number of votes was six hundred and eleven—611.

Erastus L. Metcalf, of Franklin, had forty-seven votes—47.

Frank Smith, of Dover, had two hundred and forty-five votes—245.

George Makepeace Towle, of Brookline, had three hundred and nineteen votes—319.

For Representatives to the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk Representative District:

The whole number of votes was five hundred and eighty-five—585.

Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin, had fifty-nine votes—59.

Erastus P. Carpenter, of Foxborough, had two hundred and eighty-eight votes—288.

Nathan H. Fales, of Norfolk, had two hundred and eighty-eight votes—288.

James A. Snow, of Medway, had two hundred and thirty-eight votes—238.

William H. Torrey, of Foxborough, had two hundred and fourteen votes—214.

Charles C. Wilbur, of Foxborough, had forty-eight votes —48.

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth:

The whole number of votes was two hundred and sixty-three—263.

Yes, one hundred and seventy votes—170.

No, ninety-three votes—93.

Amendment to the Constitution relative to Soldiers and Sailors exercising the right of franchise:

The whole number of votes was three hundred and forty-three—343.

Yes, three hundred and nine votes—309.

No, thirty-four votes—34.

The returns were then filled out, signed by the Selectmen, countersigned by the Town Clerk, and sealed up in open town meeting and delivered to the Town Clerk to be forwarded to their places of destination.

The votes cast and the check list used by the election officers were then sealed up in different bags, endorsed by the Selectmen, Tellers and Town Clerk and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk in accordance with the law in such case made and provided.

Voted to dismiss the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

## RECOUNT OF VOTES CAST

### For Member of Congress, 9th District.

On the eighth day of November A. D. 1890, the Town Clerk received a petition of which the following is a true copy, to wit:

To the Clerk of the Town of Franklin:

The undersigned, qualified voters of Franklin, Massachusetts, respectfully represent that they have reason to believe that the returns of the Election Officers of this town for Member of Congress at the election held on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1890, were erroneous in this, that the said Election Officers improperly counted certain ballots at said election for George Fred Williams, and failed to count certain other ballots properly for John W. Candler; and further, because the said Election Officers failed to properly foot or add up the votes cast for Member of Congress at said election.

WILLIAM F. RAY,
HERBERT W. NYE,
GEORGE HARRIS COCHRANE,
ALFRED CLARK,
E. S. MESSINGER,
F. A. BATES,
ENOCH WAITE,
JOSEPH G. RAY,
GEORGE P. HUTCHINSON,
FREDERIC E. ALDRICH,
JOSEPH T. HUTCHINSON,
JAMES F. RAY,
THOMAS G. THAIN.

Said petition was duly presented to the Selectmen who appointed as the time for the recount of said ballots November eleventh A. D. 1890, at 7 o'clock p. m. at the office of the Selectmen.

At the appointed hour the Selectmen met for the purpose aforesaid; William F. Ray and Henry E. Ruggles were appointed tellers and duly sworn. The envelope containing the ballots cast on the fourth day of November A. D. 1890, was then produced by the Town Clerk and the seals thereon found to be intact, said envelope was then opened and the ballots taken therefrom and recounted as petitioned.

It was ascertained and declared that the whole number of votes cast for Member of Congress was six hundred and thirty-five—635.

Melvin H. Walker, of Westborough, had forty-one—41.

John W. Candler, of Brookline, had three hundred and forty-three—343.

George Fred Williams, of Dedham, had two hundred and fifty-one—251.

Whereupon the ballots were replaced in the aforesaid envelope and duly sealed, endorsed according to the law in such case made and provided, and delivered to the Town Clerk, a certificate of the result of the aforesaid recount was made and duly signed by the Selectmen and attested by the Town Clerk and forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

## TOWN CLERKS' MEETING

November 14, 1890.

A true record of the doings of the Town Clerks of the towns of Wrentham, Medway, Franklin, Foxborough, Bellingham and Norfolk, constituting the Eighth Representative District in the County of Norfolk.

On the fourteenth day of November, A. D. 1890, the Town Clerks of the above named towns met at the Town House in Franklin and examined and compared transcripts of the records of votes cast on the 4th day of said November in said towns for two Representatives to the General Court for the Eighth District in said county and did ascertain that Erastus P. Carpenter, of Foxborough, and Nathan H. Fales, of Norfolk, were duly elected, and issued certificates of their election —one of which was sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth at Boston, one was delivered to the constable of Foxborough and one to the constable of Norfolk to be served on the said Carpenter and Fales respectively.

Witness our hands at Franklin, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1890.

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| David T. Stone, | Town Clerk of | Wrentham. |
| H. E. Mason, | " | Medway. |
| Henry E. Ruggles, | " | Franklin. |
| Lewis E. Gray, | " | Foxborough. |
| Henry A. Whitney, | " | Bellingham. |
| Silas E. Fales, | " | Norfolk. |

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

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The aggregate vote of the District was as follows:

Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin, had one hundred and sixty-one votes—161.

Erastus P. Carpenter, of Foxborough, had nine hundred and twenty-two votes—922.

Nathan H. Fales, of Norfolk, had eight hundred and ninety-six votes—896.

James A. Snow, of Medway, had six hundred and seventy-five votes—675.

William H. Torrey, of Foxborough, had seven hundred and thirty-nine votes—739.

Charles C. Wilbur, of Foxborough, had one hundred and forty-three votes—143.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

## WARRANT FOR A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,

### January 17, 1891.

Norfolk, ss.

*To either Constable of the Town of Franklin,*

Greeting:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said town to assemble in their Town Hall, on Saturday, the seventeenth day of January, current, at two o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chap. 386, Acts of 1890, entitled: "An act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense."

Art. 3. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Sections sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-one and seventy-two of Chap. 27 of the Public Statutes, providing for the election of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the term of three years.

Art. 4. To determine what officers, if any, not required by law to be chosen by ballot at election of town officers, shall be so chosen.

Art. 5. To determine the number and terms of town officers to be elected.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART,
Selectmen.

NORFOLK, ss. January 10, A. D. 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Saturday, the seventeenth day of January, 1891, for the purpose within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices of the town and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of the warrant and officer's return thereon.

Attest: HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

## PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,

JANUARY 17, 1891.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the town of Franklin assembled in their Town Hall and proceeded as follows, viz:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk who then read the warrant.

### MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. William F. Ray was then chosen Moderator of the meeting by ballot, the check list being used, and duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Voted, that we accept the provisions of Chap. 386, Acts of 1890, entitled, "An act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense." Vote standing 58 in the affirmative and 21 in the negative.

ART. 3. Voted, that this article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 4. Voted, that we do not choose any officers by ballot not required by law to be so chosen.

ART. 5. Voted, that the number and terms of town officers to be elected by ballot be as follows, viz:

Three (3) Selectmen for one year.
One (1) Town Clerk for one year.
One (1) Town Treasurer for one year.
Three (3) Assessors for one year.
Three (3) Overseers of Poor for one year.
One (1) Auditor for one year.
One (1) Collector of Taxes for one year.
Two (2) School Committee for three years.
Three (3) Board of Health for one year.
Three (3) Constables for one year.

All the articles of the warrant having been acted upon it was voted that the warrant be dismissed.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.